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Wishes for a Peaceful New Year

ANNIVERSARIES

December 2019 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
Mt. 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
Brooking 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

MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

December

12 OLSHF Patient Care Comm. mtg.

January

9 OLSHF Patient Care Comm. mtg.
 18 District G Cabinet mtg. 10am-noon, Call-In as Via Teleconference
 27 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ 5:30pm

EVENTS

December

2 Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 4100 Cherry Ave., NE @6pm
 10 The *Oregon Lion* deadline (for January issue)
 22 Hanukkah begins
 25 Christmas Holiday

January

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



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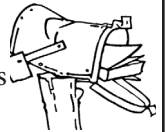
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Creating Harmony Through Service

December: The wonderful season of enhanced sharing by our clubs and Lions to help those less fortunate in our communities. It's the time to reach out in smiling fellowship to help folks challenged by the rain and cold temperatures, by the inability to provide sufficient nutrition for themselves and their families and by difficulty in trying to provide an enjoyable holiday experience.

Each community in our Multiple District has marvelous holiday sharing projects. I have learned of amazing food drives that provide hundreds of families with a box of staples and special holiday items. Coat, scarf and glove drives are providing much needed warmth for folks of all ages. One club has told me that a donor has provided many bags of stuffed animals to be distributed to kids for a holiday gift of comfort!

Does your community have a program in which families can be adopted by Lions and other caring groups? What a difference we can make by making personal contact with a family (of any size and composition) and working with them to provide needed food and holiday gift items. I remember clearly the family that my club adopted three years ago and the happiness that shone in the little boys' eyes when they saw their red wagon and other gifts – they still send us photos!

The generosity that we as Lions share isn't being done for pats on our backs, but instead to provide folks with necessary items while giving them the dignity and respect that they deserve. The level of service that we give to others, worldwide, is truly amazing! The joy that we, as fellow human beings, receive from helping others opens our hearts to even more work in

our communities.

At this very special time of the year, enjoy all that the season has to offer and spend time with your families and friends to recharge your heart for further Lions service.

Jane Goodall, the renowned zoologist, has said: "You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference to make".

A very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year to you all!

Lions of MD 36...Sharing Your AHA Moment

Lions of MD 36, remember that special moment when you really felt in your heart why you are a Lion? That great "AHA" event that reinforces the wonderful feeling we get when we serve. The emotional "thank you" we receive from a stranger for making a difference in their life. Now is the time to write this story and send it to your District Governor so it can be included in a book to be published in the near future and as a possible winner for the coveted Guiding Lamp Award at this year's Multiple District Convention in May.



submitted by DG Terry Bowman

Directory Corrections

- p. 43 Klamath Falls Club meeting 1 & 3 Tuesday in 2020
- p. 46 Cabinet Treasurer for 36G is now Ruth Delarosa. Mailing address is PO Box 588, The Dalles, OR 97058. Email is: Ruth.Delarosa@fib.com
- p. 50 La Pine Lions temporarily meeting at LaPine Park & Rec, 16405 1st Street. Still 1 & 3 Wed at 6pm.
- p. 84 Blatter, Carolee, new address of 1760 NW Goetz St., Roseburg, OR 97471 new R) 541.637.0997 Carolee has the same cell number. Boone, Bruce. Delete residence phone number add (c) 541-315-6053. No longer has a land line.
- p. 88 Add: Delarosa, Ruth, PO Box 588, The Dalles, 97058. Email is: Ruth.Delarosa@fib.com
- p. 91 Gray, Wendy new C) 541.709.6598
- P. 102 Orozco, Jesse has new cell of 541-254-3630

District O - Northwest - North Coast



District O Governor Column
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Greetings fellow Lions,

District 36-O is eagerly pursuing a goal of 1,200 members so that we may run an International Director again as I think we have some good Lions that would benefit the whole world in service. Just envision us having our own local International Director for our own conventions and spreading our greatness to other far away clubs. Zone Chair Ed Glad had the idea. He hosted 4 clubs in Yamhill area with a planning event to grow clubs with new ideas and attractive events to include family and other cultures. Best meeting ever as goals were clear and everyone had to contribute ideas, attainable goals and decide on money. Regional Chair Lulu got an LCI grant to help pay for events. The COG just had a speaker on Cyber clubs, so Ed included that this joint club effort would be meeting by using group texting and email. He started the list at the meeting and all were included along with instruction on how this form of communication will work. See, we can be modern and innovative. Zone Chair Steve Studer is working with cyber meetings on reporting and using MyLion along with individual instruction.

Tillamook Lions, a new branch club of one year, is proudly ready to place their first bench displaying a Lions medal in a public place in Tillamook made possible from recycling plastic. They thank St. Helens Lions for the idea and are soon going to have enough for another bench by Trex Decking.

Regional Chair Lulu is putting together prospects for a new club in Cannon Beach. She started with a presentation at the Chamber of Commerce and lots of visits to businesses in town. People are very receptive to having a service club in their area.

We are growing.

Respectfully, Lion Terry Bowman, DG 36-O

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



District R Governor Column
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My fellow Lions as we begin this Christmas Season, I want to thank all of our Lions clubs out there that are involved in some type of activity supporting your local food banks during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday season. **Please remember that in January and February** there are often times our food banks run low of food as we are no longer thinking about the holidays.

As of November 8, Lions in District R have conducted 85 school screening events and checked over 22,000 children's vision. Our referral rate continues to be about 10% for additional screening needs. Just think about how many children we are helping. What a great service project this is. I also want to thank the several clubs that have done local screening events for adults in their communities.

In December we will be having our 2nd meeting regarding the E-Prep Grant which we were able to obtain from LCIF to assist the Central School District. We are doing a needs assessment, looking at what each school needs – i.e., bags with supplies in them. Also, we may need to standardize the containers and consider if larger tubs or containers will be useful in each school for additional needs. Another component of this grant will be training offered to teachers, Lions and community members. Also, we found out that there is state money available for doing some safety drills in the spring to test our readiness on a local level. Watch next month for more info and maybe a few pictures.

On February 8, 2020, the District R Convention will take place in Corvallis with our speaker being International Director Steve Thornton and his wife Rebecca from Ohio. And May 14 – 16 will be the MD 36 Convention in Canyonville with the speaker being PID Robert Littlefield. For both conventions don't forget to write you're AHA moment of when you felt in your heart you became a Lion. Please send them to your District Governor so we can pick our winner and get them all ready for the book after the conventions.

Lastly, as we are all very busy during this time of year, please take a moment and think did I check the smoke detector when we turned the clocks back? Where did we put the fire extinguisher and is it still charged? Do we need to stock up as we think about snow in the next couple of months? Above all be safe, have fun and thank you for all you do as Lions.
DG Steve Moser

District E - Southern - South Coast



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Tis' the season for Lions!

Believe it or not it is December already and the holiday season is upon us. So, 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 finished with my required visitations, having had the opportunity to visit all 36 of the clubs within our district. One thing I can say with certainty is that I have enjoyed each and 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 of Lionism throughout the world and especially here in District E and Multiple District 36.

Our clubs, despite our census running in the negative, are doing great things, adding members and providing service to their communities. During my visits this year I have seen and heard from clubs that are doing fantastic things but they don't publicize them. Well I want to highlight a couple of things that have really caught my attention.

First, the Ashland Lions really impressed me with the page and a half of projects that they are involved in throughout their community. We really need to ROAR about these accomplishments.

Second, the Applegate Club has a new member that is under the age of 25. It was very refreshing to see youth wanting to be a part of this club.

Probably one of the most impressive things to me has been the handing out of service chevrons to members. I have had the pleasure of handing out 55 year chevrons and a host of 45 year charter chevrons.

It humbles and amazes me that these individuals have been providing service to their communities for basically a half-century. These are the kind of instances we must embrace as Lion leaders. 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 and make every day for the sake of their communities that matter because without them there wouldn't be a district, multiple district or LCI.

Sometimes I feel we come into this with that 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; 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 and continuing to ask others to give. We have all had our A-HA moment as Lions and it is that passion that has driven us to where we are and maybe we need to experience another A-H moment to once again ground us.

I would like to finish with saying that I am very proud of the leaders and clubs of District E for taking to heart my passion and desire to Continue to Rock the Roar. As we embrace the holidays and renew family ties, remember that all it takes to Continue to Rock the Roar is to Ask and to Answer.

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



District G Governor Column
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I hope you all enjoyed Thanksgiving with family and friends. Christmas bells will soon be ringing.

Our Convention Committee has been working on the final stages of the District 36G Convention which will be April 24-25 in La Pine. By now you have received your registrations forms. Friday night will be Casino Night. A night of fun and games! Also, there will be an assortment of presentations covering a variety of topics, as well as information tables. We'll have club baskets to auction, and childhood cancer service projects for clubs to participate in. My Childhood Cancer service T-Shirt project is going well. Thanks to all the Lions who have and will participate by convention time. The Best Western Newberry Station has been booked and is ready to accept your "Lions" reservation. Hope to see you there!

My club visitations are going well and are scheduled to be concluded by the second week of December. I have truly enjoyed each and every one. Our District G clubs are performing a variety of service activities and doing great things in their communities. You are all true Lions! I'm honored to be your District Governor. I know it has been a challenge, but please record all your service activities in MyLion. We need to show what great things our clubs are doing.

I'm encouraging all clubs to get out and visit other clubs. Get to know your fellow Lions and see what other clubs are doing, consider partnering on projects. Who knows you might just pick up new ways to serve. Congrats to The Dalles Lions Club. They know how to visit other clubs!

The District membership growth is 35 new members and growing. My membership growth target is 60 by June 30, 2020. We are well on our way to achieving that. Membership Chair Lion Steve Oliver is working with the The Dalles Lions to have a branch club in Dufur by yearend.

Calling all Guiding Lions!! We have no active Guiding Lions in our district and that is making it difficult to charter new clubs. We need support from all our members in building our district. If you are interested becoming a Guiding Lion and would like to know more about it, please go online to www.lionsclub.org, search Guiding Lions or contact me.

How time is flying. The winter months will soon be upon us. That means snow, ice and freezing temperatures. Don't forget our homeless, elderly and those who are unable to shovel snow or haul fire wood. A Lion is always there to help those in need.

"That's What It's All About"
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

DG Gary Mose



Tualatin Lions Oktoberfest ist Wunderbar!



Lion Stacy Lewallen with our famous apfel kuchen.

On Saturday, September 28, Oktoberfest made its annual stop in Tualatin as the Tualatin Lions Club held the 5th annual Tualatin Lions Oktoberfest! Months of planning and weeks of work resulted in delicious, locally sourced German harvest dinners for everyone, served by the Tualatin Lions, their Scouts from Troop 530 and their Scouting Venture Crew. Oktoberfest was held at the Tualatin Valley Elks Lodge with their professional kitchen, large dining room and happy staff serving drinks that benefit the Casey Eye Institute.

Dinners included Zenner's German Sausage from Portland, sauerkraut from Stayton, apfel kuchen (fresh apple cake) made with apples from Beaverton and farm fresh eggs from Molalla, coffee from the local Dutch Brothers and even local Breakside Brewing Oktoberfest Lager beer served by smiling Margie and Virginia, the Elks bar staff. Local merchants provided many raffle prizes including Stickemen Brewing, Clark's Napa Auto Parts, Threat Dynamics and Nothing Bundt Cakes. Prize raffle and 50/50 tickets were sold throughout the evening by Dirndl clad hostesses Lindsey and Pua!



Beaverton Lion Robin Stoekler with Laura and PCC Brad King.



Troop 530 with Lions Lance Lewallen and Jackie Dannemiller.

Guests came to have a good time and enjoy “gemutlich” and they weren’t disappointed! Some even came in “trachten”, traditional German Oktoberfest dress including lederhosen (men’s leather pants) and dirndl (pretty German dresses).

When all was said and done, the Tualatin Lions were grateful for all the support from the community and from the Lions from neighboring clubs who came and had so much fun! Oktoberfest will be back in Tualatin next autumn!

submitted by PCC Brad King

Beautiful Photos from Lions are Pouring In

Entries for the Lions photo contest are being submitted regularly. “The quality of photos is improving all of the time,” stated MD 36 Environmental Chairperson and Scenery/Nature Photo Contest coordinator Lion Ted Carlin.



A beautiful seascape was one of the first photos submitted for the MD-36 Scenery/Nature Photo contest this year. Everyone who lives in Oregon has beauty surrounding them, so submit your photos.

Remember any MD-36 Lion can submit a photo for the contest as long as the photo is taken by the Lion and taken in Oregon. You can submit by email or mail a hard copy. Once received, the photos are enlarged to 10" X 14" and matted for display.

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Keeping the Roads Clean

Six Lions from Bend/Sunrise Lions Club and two potential Lions spent 3 hours on the 14th of September clearing trash, etc. off Oregon Highway 20 in Bend. Total picked up amounted to between 500 and 750 pounds. Good work Lions. “Keep Oregon Green”.



(l-r) Past President Lion Russ Chase, 1st VP Lion Kevin Korn, Lion Gloria DiSanto, President Lion Steve Olson, and Potential Lion Todd Hendricson



(l-r) Past President Lion Russ Chase, 1st VP Lion Kevin Korn, Potential Lion Levi Beryer, President Lion Steve Olson, and Potential Lion Todd Hendricson. (Lions John Pasma, Secretary, and Lion Alan Maxim had to leave before we could get the pictures.)

submitted by Russ Chase

Elgin Lions Continue to Usher at Elgin Opera House



The Elgin Lions continued ushering large crowds attending the Elgin Opera House, with the production of “Newsies,” based on the book by Harvey Firstein. The Lions have participated in this community project for several years. Lions are pictured with members of the staff.

(l-r) in the first row are Barbara Hawes, Daryl Hawes, Megan Duffy, Abby Roulet, Maia Vandervlught, PDG Gerald Hopkins and Eileen Larkin. Top row pictured are Rose Gray, Abby Hale, Grant Deem and Brixtin Walker.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Leaving a Legacy

The staff of Lions VisionGift and its Board of Directors honors the memory of our colleagues and friends, Lions Gary and Carol Tate. Gary and Carol lived lives of extraordinary service. They were affiliated with Lions VisionGift since 1994, both serving at times as Board Chair, and in a variety of capacities on our Board over the years. We feel it is safe to say that their gift of time and talent to our organization has helped shape who we are today.

They both shared a folksy wisdom that could make seemingly complicated issues rather simple. They brought a sense of pride (and perhaps stubbornness) to our Board that helped usher us through major changes in the mid-2000s; changes that ultimately resulted in our independence as an eye bank. They sacrificed a lot for this organization in order to be present and engaged all these years, and because of their contributions, past-CEO Barbara Crow and Lions VisionGift celebrated their contributions by naming the Tate Conference Room in their honor. It was the least we could do to show our gratitude for all they did for LVG.

When we think of Gary and Carol, we will be reminded of this quote, “Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened.” - Theodore Geisel. There were never two more joyous people, who lived to serve others, and brought a smile to all our faces as they did just that. Gary and Carol, we will truly miss you both.



submitted by Matt Webber

You, Me and the D!

Hello Everyone,

I'm excited to rerun an article that was sent to me from Mike Green, an Oregon Junior Chamber International (JCI) Senator who frequently distributes items of interest to other JCI Senators. The subject is about avoiding heart attacks and strokes with water and aspirin. Diabetics are two or more times likely to have a heart attack or stroke than non-diabetics. Please note the following advice and increase the odds of being heart attack and stroke free. Sounds like a winner to me!

Subject: Fwd: Water and Aspirin...Good to Know!

How many folks do you know who say they don't want to drink anything before going to bed because they'll have to get up during the night? Answer from a Mayo Cardiologist: heart attacks can be triggered by dehydration. Drinking one glass of water before going to bed avoids stroke or heart attack. Interesting.....

Why do people need to urinate so much at night time? Answer from my Cardiac Doctor: Gravity holds water in the lower part of your body when you are upright (legs swell). When you lie down and the lower body (legs and etc.) seeks level with the kidneys, it is then that the kidneys remove the water because it is easier. I knew you need your minimum water to help flush the toxins out of your body, but this was news to me.

Correct time to drink water... Very Important. From A Cardiac Specialist!

Drinking water at a certain time maximizes its effectiveness on the body:

2 glasses of water after waking up - helps activate internal organs

1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal - helps digestion

1 glass of water before taking a bath - helps lower blood pressure

1 glass of water before going to bed - avoids stroke or heart attack

My Physician told me that water at bed time will also help prevent night time leg cramps. Your leg muscles are seeking hydration when they cramp and wake you up with a Charlie Horse.

Mayo Clinic Cardiologist on Aspirin –

Most heart attacks occur in the day, generally between 6 A.M. and noon. Having one during the night, when the heart should be most at rest, means that something unusual happened. Research is being done that points to sleep apnea as the cause.

If you take an aspirin or a baby aspirin once a day, take it at night. **The Reason:** Aspirin has a 24-hour "half-life"; therefore, if most heart attacks happen in the wee hours of the morning, the Aspirin would be strongest in your system. FYI: Bayer is making crystal aspirin to dissolve instantly on the tongue. They work much faster than the tablets...

Why keep Aspirin by your bedside? **It's about Heart Attacks** - The majority of people (about 60%) who had a heart attack during their sleep did not wake up. However, if it occurs, the chest pain may wake you up from your deep sleep. If that happens, immediately dissolve two aspirins in your mouth and swallow them with a bit of water. **Afterwards: - Call 911.** - Phone a neighbor or a family member who lives very close by. Say "Heart Attack!" - Say that you have taken 2 Aspirins. - Take a seat on a chair or sofa near the front door, and wait for their arrival and**DO NOT LIE DOWN!**

Note: There are other symptoms of a heart attack, besides the pain on the left arm. One must also be aware of an intense pain on the chin, as well as nausea and lots of sweating; however, these symptoms may also occur less frequently and there may be NO pain in the chest during a heart attack.

A Cardiologist has stated that if each person after reading, sends it to 10 people, probably one life could be saved! I have already shared this information. What about you?

Please forward this message. It may save lives!

submitted by PCC Charlie Tate

Feel free to contact me at my cell: 503.409.1861 or my email: commontate@hotmail.com

Change your attitude and you'll change your life!

PDG Phyllis Carlin Receives Melvin Jones Award



CRR Lions Past President Ted Carlin presents the Melvin Jones award to PDG Phyllis Carlin on behalf on the Crooked River Ranch Lions Club.

Lions Club International founder Melvin Jones once said: “You can’t get very far until you start doing something for someone else.” Those words ring very true for the CRR Lions Club latest Melvin Jones Fellowship award winner PDG Phyllis Carlin. Her 10 years as a Lion have been accentuated by her desire to serve the needs of her community.

In those 10 years, Phyllis has served the club in many positions, highlighted by her two terms as Club President followed by a recent stellar year as Oregon Lions District G Governor. As her husband Ted said when presenting Phyllis with the Melvin Jones Foundation, “In her early years as a CRR Lion Phyllis volunteered in many Lions activities. The one activity that changed her was the Holiday Christmas Hugs tree event. CRR Lions delivered Christmas goody bags to our elders over 85 on the Ranch. Thinking the visits would involve dropping off the bags and spending about 10

minutes talking with the people it turned into nearly an hour conversation with people just craving human contact and conversation. This was the day she says she went from being a Lions Club member to being a true Lion embracing Melvin Jones call to action.”

Phyllis never takes a break from being involved in meaningful CRR Lions projects. She has always felt that fellow Lions give her back more than she felt she was giving Lions. As many fellow CRR Lions will tell you Phyllis is their go-to Lion when looking for leadership and advice. Phyllis really is the heart and soul of our Lions Club. The list of things she does for the club goes on and on. Her greatest accomplishment is her sense of insistence that everyone has fun working the many activities of the Lions Club.

Phyllis Carlin is very deserving of the Melvin Jones Foundation award as she exemplifies all the Lion attributes that founder Melvin Jones envisioned.

submitted by Doug Reinhart, CRR Lions Communication Chairperson

East Albany Lions Club Begins Eye Screenings

On October 1, the East Albany Lions Club began eye screenings of elementary school students. Three schools were screened for a total of 916 students. All this was done in 3 hours and 15 minutes. Four Lions worked the screening tool and three Lions directed the classes as they arrived and exited the screening area. Five more dates are scheduled for October. Three schools each day.



(l-r) Lions Jadie DeLille Wright, Dan Herbst and Dick Newkirk

submitted by Ed Lupkin

Rib Feed Benefits the Band

The La Grande Lions Club held a Rib Feed at the Senior Center with the proceeds to assist the band activities and new uniforms for the La Grande High School Band. Members of the band served the more than 150 in attendance at the event. The high school K Street Kombo played for the evening.



Everyone enjoyed the food.



La Grande High School's K Street Kombo provided the entertainment.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Second Cabinet Meeting for District G

The second District G Cabinet meeting was held in Rufus, with Governor Gary Mose emphasizing his goals for the Lion year. Highlighting the goals were the governor's passion for the pediatric units and encouragement of clubs to be involved in youth activities. Selling shirts supporting cancer research has netted over \$500 for the governor. On the second point, Mose asked clubs to consider selecting a youth panel to make a presentation on the goals they would like to see for their communities.

GMT Steve Oliver reported that he attended the visual screening in the Dufer School system and acquired names as possible Lions for a new club.

GLT Richard Smith asked the cabinet to consider identifying leaders for the next year as quickly as possible. "If we want to continue to strengthen District G then we must identify potential leaders early, provide the opportunity to develop leadership skills and provide them the resources to get the job done." PCC Smith noted that some people are born leaders and have the natural talent, while others acquire leadership skills and need the opportunity to use the skills to help others.

The good news, Smith noted, is that the district has a \$500 leadership grant from LCI. He asked for suggestions from the group on how to best use the funds. Prior to his presentation, Smith asked cabinet members to list an individual they thought was a great leader and then list the qualities on the back. Further information will be given at a later date.

Award Chair Kris Harmon gave a detailed report on each of the awards and the time frames. District contests run from May 1 through April 30 and will receive awards at the Multiple District convention in May of 2020. Individual packets for the awards were distributed to each of the attendees.

Activities were listed by each of the clubs represented. Kristi Peterson from the Crooked River Lions stated the club recently presented \$6,000 in scholarships to students. Other activities included a roadside cleanup project, community garage sale, hot dog sales (adding she was tired of hot dogs!) and plans for Trunk or Treat.



PCC Richard Smith emphasizes the importance of leadership identification and development



CCR Lion Kristi Peterson shares projects being done by her club



CC Sharon Rollins attended the cabinet meeting

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

From the Gresham Breakfast Club

When we last visited the indefatigable family of Eduardo Vazquez – he, his wife Yolanda, a son and son-in-law are all optometrists and Lions in the small city of Rioverde in the state of San Luis Potosí, Mexico, it was 2017. We worked hard together in a clinic put together by the Lions In Sight group from California and Eduardo's local Refugio Lions Club. For me, that clinic was the second time that I had worked in Rioverde with Eduardo, although for Eduardo, it was one of many clinics in which he has worked both in Rioverde and out in the mountains of his home state.



Clinic Team: Lions from USA and Mexico together with Santa Catarina employees.

The last time together, we had talked about putting on another clinic in those mountains where people truly get no vision care and where the people don't even speak Spanish. I told him, he gets a clinic going and I would be sure to be there.



Santa Maris is way back in the backcountry of Mexico



Church in Santa Maria de Acapulco from 1740

Short story, he did, and I was there leading a team of four optometrists – two from the northern Las Vegas area; one of those doctors brought her father, another optometrist from San Diego along, as well. It was a true pleasure working side-by-side this father-daughter pair of eye doctors. We were aided by the help of two other Lions from Las Vegas and three Lions from the Bay Area.



Dr McLain hard at work.

The village we worked in is called Santa Catarina. With some 186 people the village is the county seat of a far-flung county taking in the crest of a long mountain ridge. For a little over half of the people in the county, Spanish is not their first language – Xi'ui (but it can be spelled differently wherever you look) is their speech.

The people are known as Pame of which there are two groups. We visited the largest group – Central Pame – of whom there are about 7,000 folks. The Pame are one of two indigenous groups that have culturally survived contact following Spanish colonization from the Chicameca region of Mexico which used to cover a large area of north central Mexico – from Zacatecas to Queretaro, Guadalajara to almost Saltillo, though the Pame were centered around where they are today.

The Pame became Christian as a result of missionary work in the 18th century including Junipero Serra who would go on to establish many missions in California – he is known as the Apostle of California. One of those early mission churches in a town in the southern part of the Santa Catarina county – Santa Maria de Acapulco – we had a chance to visit at the end of our clinic. To say the people in this region, live a hard life is an understatement. Our work was very rewarding. We saw 878 patients in two days from a very poor area high up and a long drive from towns of any size.

to Santa Catarina, Mexico

At my side was the ever-able Jacinto Ponce who had helped me in 2017, as well. His own history is worth a story by itself, being born in the United States – Dodge City, Kansas of all places – but with the complexities of the border, he finds himself in a new life in Rioverde. He was despondent, at first, as you can imagine, but with the help of Dr. Eduardo, he has reimagined himself in an amazing manner. And there were so many others who helped pull the clinic off, as well, from the municipio's mayor – kind of a combination village mayor and county chief administrator – and his wife and workers from the municipio. So many patients living in an area in which there is simply no eye care.

I had a couple of patients from a nearby village called Anteojos, which means 'glasses' in Spanish. I told them that now people from Anteojos actually have anteojos which gave us all a little laugh.

After the last day of clinic, our team piled into a few cars and headed off to an old church in the southern end of the municipio – county. The trip took the better part of an hour to reach the village, still high in the mountains on the border of the states of San Luis Potosí and Queretaro. We passed through several other villages on the way, all linked together by a narrow road full of topes – Mexican speed bumps which are much more serious at stopping your car than the mild ones we have here.

The church in Santa Maria de Acapulco dates to 1740, the time of missionaries. In 2007, lightning struck the church and burnt much of the structure built of wood and palm leaves. Only 12 of the 60 santos – saint figures – were saved. The National Institute of Anthropology and History helped to restore the church – reopened in 2009 but restoration continued until 2014 – because of its importance culturally and historically – it is thought to be one of the churches associated with Father Kino who established missions as far north as southern Arizona.



Never an end to a need

At the end of the clinic, Eduardo took me aside and said, "I would really like to have a clinic in nearby Tamusopo." Tamusopo is a town in the far eastern part of San Luis Potosí state with another distinctive group of Pame living in the hills above. Hmm. See you soon Eduardo?



Lions from Mexico and the USA gathered in front of the Church of Santa Maria de Acapulco



There are glasses In Anteojos now!!

The structure, itself, is outstanding for its humility – dirt floor, palm leaf roof, niches in the front for saints. Catholicism has been successful in that many areas of the world, local indigenous religions are intermingled with Christianity. So is the case here where locals paid tribute to the god of thunder after the tragedy. The Pame worked closely with the Institute to restore the church weaving the palm-leaved roof themselves.



District O Convention Baskets

It's time to join me in thinking about our District 0 Convention Baskets. It's fun to do and raises money for our Lion District. The theme is Roar With Pride! You can actually win money for your club. This is a win, win opportunity!

submitted by Lion LuLu Bowman

Elementary School Students in Burns Receive Vision Screening

The Oregon Lions School Vision Screening was in Burns on the 18th and 19th of September to check students from kindergarten to 5th grade. Sponsored by the Burns Lions Club, the SPOT Vision Screener is a breakthrough device that quickly detects vision issues across all age groups starting at 6 months. In just seconds SPOT detects near-sightedness, far sightedness, unequal refractive power, blurred vision, pupil size deviations and eye misalignment.



All rural students were tested at the Crane Elementary School on September 18 and Burns students were checked on September 19. A total of 539 students were checked and 36 possible eye problems were detected. Lions from Crooked River Ranch and Burns, along with four volunteers conducted the screenings.

submitted by PDG George Sahlberg

Elgin Lions Speed Through Visual Screening

The Elgin Lions questioned if they had set any new records in their vision screening of elementary students K-6 in the Imbler School system. When one class finished, another was in line to meet the Lions as they rolled through in a steady pace. The entire process took just 50 minutes with Lions Betty Jane and Bruce Bugbee organizing the flow of the students.



(l-r) standing are Lions Mary Hopkins, Betty Jane Bugbee, Bruce Bugbee and PCC Steve Oliver. Seated are Steve Craig, Kathy Oliver, Daryl Hawes and Jackie Phillips.

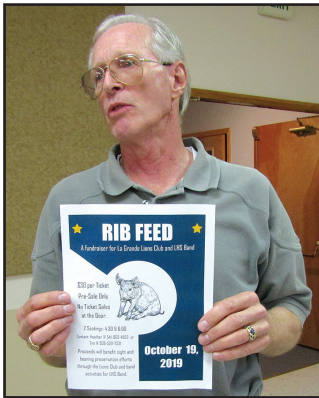


Screening the students are (l-r) Steve Craig, Kathy Oliver, Daryl Hawes and Jackie Phillips.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

La Grande Lions Visit Elgin Club

La Grande Lions Brent Lewis and John Craig made a visit to the Elgin Lions and Lion Lewis outlined a project La Grande is undertaking to help with the purchase of band uniforms for the school.



Lion Brent Lewis outlines plans for the "Rib Feed" to help La Grande students with uniforms.



Kaden McClure will serve as the FBLA student representative to Lion meetings.

Lewis noted that their club is planning to hold a boneless "Rib Feed" October 19 to raise funds. The event will be held at the La Grande Senior Center. Tickets are selling for \$30 for the evening's dinner.

Also visiting for the first time was Kaden McClure with the Elgin School FBLA program. Kaden noted that he will be a representative at the Lions club meetings to determine ways in which FBLA students could assist with Lion projects.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Elgin Lions Continue with a Barrage of Activities

With heavy rains and wind in the area toppling over 150 trees on Tollgate, the undaunted Lions continued with their many activities. Due to the rains, the pie and ice cream social was moved to October 26. Free pies, made by club members, will be distributed on Main Street to community members and visitors in appreciation for support of Lion activities. It has been made known that PCC Steve Oliver will stand in the middle of the street and wave in visitors passing on to the Wallowa Lake. Also, on the give-away agenda is "Trunk or Treat, chaired by Kate Bottger. Although Bottger has purchased \$100 of candy for the various Lion stations, members supplement the candy which disappears quickly.

Sight Chair Keith Warren reported that 28 requests had been made for glasses and vision checks. He noted that the number is up by five requests at the same time the previous year.

Although requests keep rolling in for the weekly BINGO sessions, the members elected to start the popular event in November with the time change. Plans are also being made for a high school basketball tournament with six schools December 2-3. A Lion Light Parade will be held December 7 on the main street of Elgin.



Bob Thomas presented an Acrobatic Garbage Award to Lion Everett Grandeen, after the story was released that Grandeen fell over backwards several feet into the dumpster while working on a clean-up project.

(r-l) President Kathy Oliver presents Susie Harris the gold Centennial pin for sponsoring a new member.



Guest speaker Cathy Bonnie invites the Lions to a spaghetti feed to support the local food bank.

submitted by Gerald Hopkins

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Meet Tracy Brown 2019 OLSHF Staff Member of the Year

As a group, our OLSHF Staff members are committed to saving and restoring sight and hearing. As individuals we strive to do so with honesty, integrity, and compassion for others. Our 2019 Staff Member of the Year, Tracy Brown, epitomizes these traits.

Our Lead Optical Coordinator, Tracy joined OLSHF in 2016 and focuses most of her time managing our Lions Eyeglass Assistance Program (LEAP) optical finishing lab. The LEAP Lab accepts orders from over 50 Oregon optometrists to make high-quality eyeglasses for Oregonians sponsored by their local Lions Clubs. The LEAP Optical Lab is the only charitable optical lab of its kind.

Tracy also manages the Foundation's Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (LERC), one of only 19 in the World. As our LERC Coordinator, Tracy has many responsibilities: Supervising eyeglass sortings at the LERC warehouse, collecting eyeglasses from donation drop-off sites as needed, transporting the sorted eyeglasses to the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility (CCCF), picking up the mission-ready eyeglasses from CCCF, meeting Lions Club members at the LERC warehouse to accept loads of donated eyeglasses, meeting doctors and mission coordinators who are picking up mission-ready eyeglasses for trips overseas, presenting collection processes at schools, meeting



with Eagle Scouts to assist in their eyeglass collection projects, processing requests and fulfilling orders for eyeglasses from organizations around the U.S., promoting LERC in the community, and tracking and reporting LERC data to LCIF. Remember, she also manages the LEAP optical lab, too!

Here's a quick Q & A with Tracy on her role at the LERC:

Q: How many pairs of eyeglasses are donated to OLSHF each year?

Tracy: Approximately 120,000 are donated each year!

Q: How do volunteers help with LERC?

Tracy: Most volunteers help out by coming to the LERC and helping to sort through the eyeglasses. Also, by collecting them, of course!

Q: What is one thing that many Lions may not realize about used eyeglass collection?

Tracy: Probably that lenses need to be in a frame and both lenses need to be in the frame to go on a person's face. However, the glasses that are missing lenses or a lens can still be used for parts. We can harvest nose pads and temple tips and such to make other pairs complete.

I would also like to share that it is amazing that so many people donate their eyeglasses to us. And the cases are always a question. In my opinion, we should leave the eyeglasses in their case for protection. The longer that they are kept from scratching and breaking before reaching the box headed to CCCF, the better. Some Lions Clubs like to sort and send without the cases, in that case I like newspaper or something to protect them. Oh, and every March and October look for an open Saturday sorting for Lions Sorting Parties. We'll be scheduling soon for March, so keep an EYE out!

Thank you, Tracy. Congratulations on being named 2019 Staff Member of the Year!

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Autumn & Winter Program Highlights



Melzack loves his eyeglasses that he received through the **KEX Kids program**! For over 20 years now, KEX has provided students with free comprehensive eye exams, eyeglasses, and hearing aids. This collaboration with KEX 1190 AM ensures that we can provide a continuum of care to students identified through our school screenings who may need follow-up exams.

Hearing loss can be a lonely and isolating experience. But the important work of our **ROAR!** program in partnership with Dr. Todd Landsberg and Lions Club Volunteers like Ted Carlin helps people in need get the treatment and hearing aids they need to not just restore their hearing, but their connections to family and community as well.



Our **LERC (Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center)** is busy supplying eyeglasses to organizations such as Global Health Outreach, which distributes them to people in need all over the world. Last year they served over 1,000 patients in Mexico and Ecuador and distributed more than 1,400 pairs of glasses. Our LERC program exhibits the crucial partnerships we've formed over the years with Lions Clubs around the state, who gather eyeglasses and help us sort them, the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility's paraoptometric training program, where the glasses are cleaned and refurbished, and organizations around the globe who travel to communities in need, providing sight and hearing services.



Our **2020 School Vision Screening** program is in its busiest season. At Riverbend Elementary in Springfield, a student volunteer (far right) uses the SPOT device to screen elementary school students. In October, we were honored to have Senator James Manning (pictured right) attend a school screening at Meadowview School in Eugene with Bethel Lions Club volunteers. Senator Manning was very impressed with the Lions Clubs and the Foundation's partnerships with providers around the state who allow us to serve so many in need. *(Special thanks to Susan Pfanner for photo and story)*



Nifty 50s Gala

Our annual fundraising gala was a huge success this year! Our 1950s theme hearkened back to OLSHF's founding in 1959 to celebrate 60 years of service to our community. We packed the Elysian Ballroom to capacity and together we raised more than \$75,000 towards our sight and hearing programs that benefit communities all over Oregon. Thank you to everyone who attended—we had Lions, providers, donors, board members, volunteers—everyone who makes our partnerships and programs possible. Your support is everything.



Sutherlin Lions Winter Coat Drive

The Sutherlin Lioness Club closed their organization earlier this year and members were very concerned that a cherished annual coat drive would not happen. Former members came to the Sutherlin Lions Club and requested that the group adopt the project. The Lionesses were concerned that homeless, low-or no-income recipients, would go cold this winter.



Tables piled high with donations.

Having the same concern, Sutherlin Lions purchased 8 large, big, bright blue barrels, labeled them and placed them around the community at the beginning of November. Placements include the SKP Park, a private RV park, the Sutherlin Senior Center, Banner, First Community and Umpqua Banks, Abby's Pizza and Creekside Grill restaurants along with the Heavenly Hair Salon.

Immediately donations including coats, jackets, socks, blankets, quilts etc. began to fill the barrels making it necessary to empty them frequently. The contents were transported to the Lions Den where Lions sorted and piled high the articles on tables.

The items then were given to local Sutherlin organizations including the Food Pantry, the St. Francis Community and St Vinnies with the remainder transported to nearby Roseburg to be distributed to groups including the Roseburg Mission, Veterans Affairs, Dream Center, Samaritan Inn and Casa De Belen. Children's clothing was donated to both Sutherlin East and West schools along with schools in Oakland, Yoncalla and Drain.

The community of Sutherlin is so generous that this year was the most successful in the history of the collection. This project is another example of your Lions in action or as our motto says WE SERVE.

submitted by Sharon Elliott, Sutherlin Lions Club

Elgin Lions...



Elgin Lion Vets were honored during a special recognition. Top I-r are Darin Ward, PCC Steve Oliver, Lynn Knopp and Bill Hall. Bottom I-r are Kayla Ward, John Broughton, Mike Garver, im Hallgarth, Bob Wiles, Jack Mielke and Jim Way.



(I-r) Elgin Lions: Jared Rogers presents Gene Hardy with a key pin for inviting new Lions to the club.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Springfield Lions Club Makes Great Showing During KVAL Food Drive

Thanks to the MORNING CREW of Lions Judy Potter, Henry Miller and Larry Barnett, for covering the 5:30 a.m. slot at the KVAL Take A Bite Out of Hunger event on November 5. They delivered food and a \$100 check for FOOD for Lane County.



(l-r) Lions Dale Howard, PDG Dale Bachman, John Vogt, KVAL Anchor Dave Walker and Ross Isabel



(l-r) Lions Judy Potter, Larry Barnett, President Henry Miller and KVAL Weatherman John Mayer

Then the EVENING CREW, consisting of Lions PDG Dale Bachman, John Vogt, Ross Isabel, Ginger Rogers and Dale Howard, showed up at 4:30 p.m. and, on behalf of the Springfield Lions Club, again dropped off food and presented another \$100 check! Our video segment aired with David Walker, KVAL anchor/reporter, at 5:01 p.m. Video excerpts of the event can be seen at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BbtMt9V9Yjs>. The video also appeared on KVAL's sister station KMTR the following night.

submitted by Lion Dale Howard, Springfield Lions Club Publicist

La Grande Lions Coats for Kids



(l-r) Lions Larry Glaze and Tanner Wilson.

The Lions Club of La Grande has an annual tradition of providing warm coats for children throughout Union County. The event takes place on the last Saturday in October and the first Saturday in November at the old Riveria School. It has been happening for over thirty years and is maintained and staffed by volunteers from the La Grande Lions Club. This year's project was a huge success!

Collecting coats is a yearlong process. Lions start in the spring when winter coats go on sale. Our "letter" fundraising campaign to local businesses and individuals provides a large share of the capital needed to purchase new coats. This year we also had an anonymous donor who bought several hundred dollars worth of coats at Costco and donated them. In addition, we place collection boxes at all the local schools where parents can recycle coats that they no longer need. These coats are taken to Betty Sprenger for cleaning and mending, then returned to the Lions.

The Lions partner with several different agencies to make this happen. The Soroptimist Club provides boots, socks, hats and gloves at the same time. The Department of Human Services sends out postcards to over 2,600 families in need throughout Union County notifying them of the event. DHS provides the postage for these postcards and the Intermountain ESD donates the printing. Finally, Community Connection provides the facility to house the coats and event. This allows the Lions Club to put all its resources towards the purchase of coats. Together with the Soroptimists this year we served over 350 families. It is so rewarding to see the smiles on children's faces as they leave with their new coats.

submitted by Linda Gleeson

Lake Oswego Junior High Student Wins Local and District Level Competition in Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Lake Oswego Junior High School Art Teacher, Debra Owen was proud to announce that 6th grade student Jorie Liang created a poster that took her to the first and second steps to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning a local competition sponsored by the Lake Oswego Lions Club and being chosen as the winning entry at the Lions District 36-O level as well.



6th grader Jorie Liang's winning poster

"Peace is our gift to each other. - Elie Weasel - was the inspiration for my poster," said Liang, the 12-year-old from Lake Oswego. Her poster was selected by members of Lake Oswego Lions for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Journey to Peace". The judging was held on November 6 at the Oswego Heritage House in Lake Oswego and by the District 36-O Cabinet members at their meeting on Saturday, November 9 at Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation in Portland.

Lake Oswego Lions Club President Diane Mead said she was impressed by the expression and creativity of the students at Lake Oswego Junior High School. "It is obvious that these young people have strong ideas about what peace means to them. I'm so proud that we were able to provide them with the opportunity to share their visions. We are happy that Jorie's poster will advance through the multiple district and possibly international levels of competition," Mead said.

One international grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners will be selected. The grand prize includes a cash award of \$5,000 plus a trip for the winner and two family members to a special award ceremony. The 23 merit award winners will each receive a certificate and a cash award of \$500.

"Our club is cheering for Jorie as her poster advances in the competition and we hope that her vision will ultimately be shared with others around the world. We will honor Liang and the winner of the 2nd contest we sponsored, Katelyn Chun, at our annual Christmas dinner on the evening of December 18 at the Oswego Heritage House," said District 36-O and Lake Oswego Lions Club Peace Poster Chair, Bonnie Roeder.

The art teacher, Debra Owen, said, "I sincerely appreciate your help again this year in making this wonderful Peace Poster project a success. It's so important to help young minds understand the journey of peace and how we can work together to make our world a better place. I look forward to working with you and the LO Lions Club next school year!"

What a wonderful opportunity for Lions clubs to help serve the youth in our community! Plan to sponsor next year's Lions International Peace Poster Contest in a local school or organized, sponsored youth group in your area next year. You can order kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters 1/15/2020 - 10/1/2020.

*submitted by Bonnie Roeder
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Giving Our All for A Lions Environmental Project



Would you believe this is
Prineville Lion Chris McCabe?

It is amazing to what “lengths and widths” Lions will go to promote a Lions environmental project.

Just moments after completing a section of highway cleanup in Prineville, Prineville Lion Chris McCabe realized he had locked his keys in his small pickup. So, as passerby’s gazed at Chris half in and half out of the small back window (which of course had his best side showing), attention and public relations were brought to the Lions Highway Cleanup Project. Way to go Chris.

While other Lions Clubs may use the more conventional “Lions at Work” signs during promotion of their environmental projects, anything that draws attention works.

This year we are concentrating on the public relations benefits of doing environmental/service projects, so please send your stories and photos of these events to my email below.

“Built in 1924 by Lions” discovered by my wife, PDG Phyllis Carlin on a trip back to Austin, Texas for a wedding. She was referring to a golf course built in 1924 by the Austin Lions and is still a municipal golf course today. This would be an extreme example of a Lions environmental project and, of course, it has been great public relations throughout the 95 years of existence.

PDG Phyllis Carlin discovered a “Huge” Lion Environmental project when she walked onto the Austin, Texas Lions Golf Course started by the Austin Lions in 1924. The Lion looks like he may have just had a bad round of golf!



*submitted by Ted Carlin, MD36 Environmental Committee Chair
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GOLF NOW? Yes Time to List Lions Golf Tournaments

Snow may be on the way but it is never too soon to list the Lions Golf Tournaments throughout the MD-36.

The Enterprise and Joseph Lions Clubs held their initial Golf Tournament in the fall and the weather, food, players and donations to a good cause were all excellent. Other clubs could start up a Lions Golf Tournament as well.

Listed below are the Clubs that held a Lions Golf Tournament in the 2018-2019 Lions year. I have also noted the golf courses. Please let me know the exact times, dates and locations for 2020 if you are having another tournament. And if you are having a Lions Golf Tournament and you are missing from this list please let me know and we will get you listed. Or if you are going to try having a tournament for the first time let me add you to the list.

Clubs who had 2018-2019 Lions Tournaments:

- Crooked River Ranch Lions Tournament, CRR GC, OR
- Enterprise/Joseph Lions Tournament, Enterprise, OR
- La Pine Lions Tournament, Quail Run GC, La Pine, OR
- Myrtle Creek Lions Tournament, Cougar Canyon GC, Myrtle Creek, OR
- Springfield Lions Tournament, Springfield, OR
- Umpqua Lions Tournament, Oakhill’s GC, Sutherlin, OR 541-604-4054



Joseph/Enterprise Lions Bob and Mary Kay Pace keep the golfers happy with hamburgers and hot dogs at the First Annual Joseph/Enterprise Golf Tournament held in September with beautiful weather.

submitted by Ted Carlin, Vptcarlin@yahoo.com

French Prairie Lions Help Love Santa Program

Santa Lions from the French Prairie Lions Club started picking up toys November 16 in northern Marion County to support the Love Santa program. Love Santa provides boxes of food and toys to families in the north area of the county. The Toy Drive is the fourth major project for the French Prairie Lions Club this year.

In July and August, the club put together a back-to-school supply drive. Collection boxes were put out in Aurora, Hubbard and Donald. Lions Vini Roberts and Dee Shulkoff co-chaired this effort. The club has a Community Service fundraiser in the early fall. Prizes for the raffle came from businesses in the communities. This year funds from the raffle were used to support the toy drive. During late October/early November the club provided school sight screenings to all the students in the North Marion School District.

First pickup of toys was Saturday, November 16, according to project chair PDG Jim Jagers. "We had 18-20 boxes out and then completed the pickup the first weekend of December. We were helping Love Santa assemble boxes for families in the communities of Woodburn, Hubbard, Aurora and Donald on December 10 following the food collection by our fire districts," he reported.

Love Santa has served northern Marion County for a number of years. "We want to thank Mrs. McGillicut's 5th grade class at North Marion Intermediate School for once again decorating the boxes," he said. Last year the club collected over 800 toys. PDG Jagers reported a larger number of families have signed up so the need has increased this year. "We expect to provide toys and gifts to over 1,000 children," he said.

UPPER LEFT: Lions PDG Jim Jagers, Vini Roberts & Dee Shulkoff check the bags and boxes of toys and take an inventory of what has been collected as of November 16. **UPPER RIGHT:** Lions members Matt Jagers, PDG Jim Jagers and Dee Sholkoff check in toys collected in the Aurora community. These included 12 bags of stuffed animals.

CENTER: One of the storage lockers at the Woodburn Auction Yard is nearly filled with the first round of the toy pickup. Toys came from Aurora, Donald and Hubbard. The French Prairie Lions Club made the first round of toy pick up on November 16.

LOWER LEFT: Manager Celeste Hubur of the Dollar General in Hubbard is a strong supporter of the Love Santa Toy Drive. Her store has co-sponsored the drive the last two years. Dollar General has supported other French Prairie Lions Club projects as well.

LOWER RIGHT: Lions club member Pete Martinez of Hubbard loads up the last of the toys for the first pickup. This pickup vehicle ended up with 15 bags and 4 boxes of toys and other items for kids for the Love Santa program.



submitted by PDG Jim Jagers