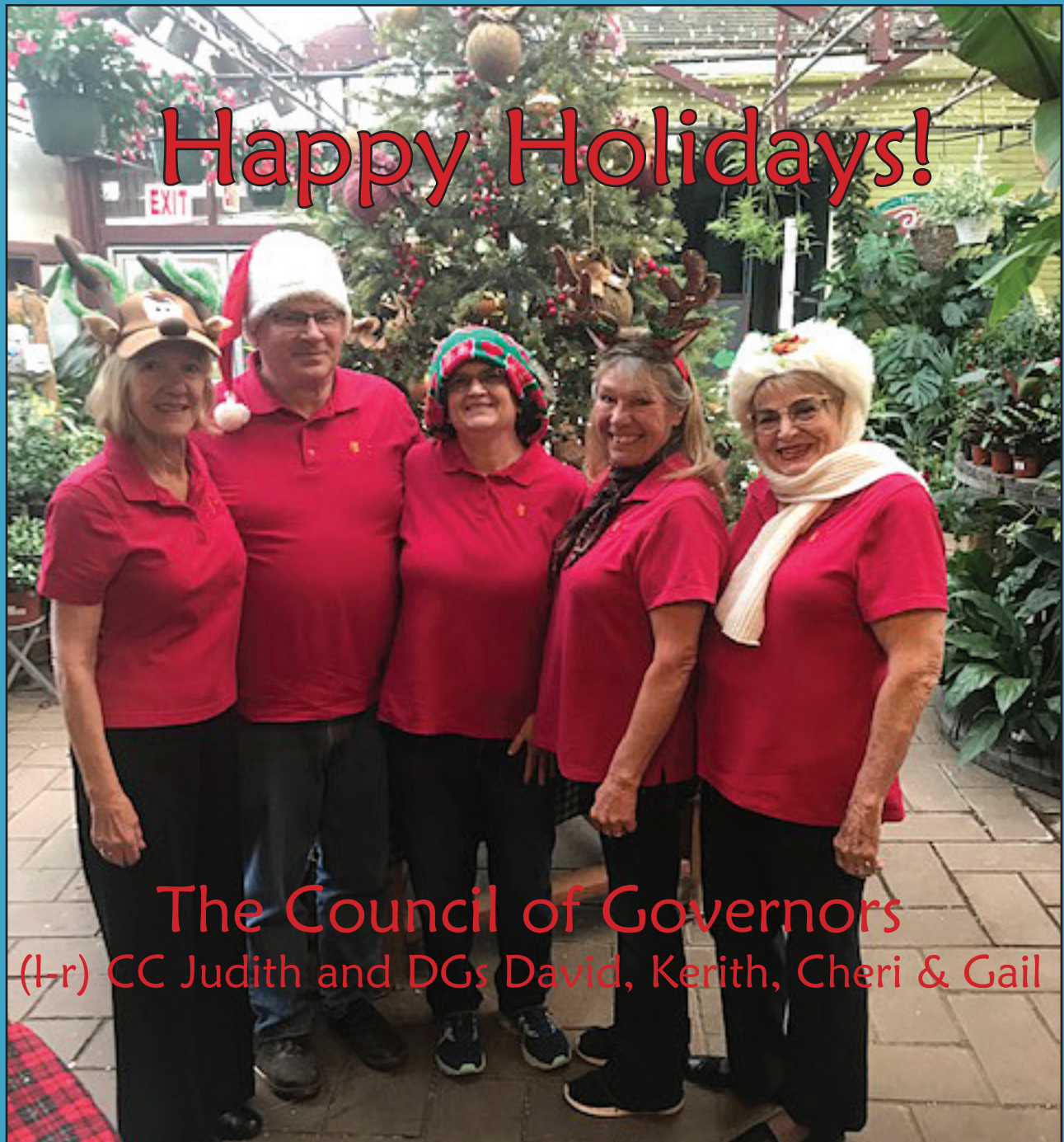




Serving members of MD36 Oregon and Northern CA

December, 2022 Volume 5/22-23



MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

January

30 SOLSHC Board meeting @ noon

EVENTS

December

- 5 Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 4100 Cherry Ave. NE @ 6pm
- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline (for January issue)

January

- 1 New Year's Day
- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline (for February issue)
- 16 Martin Luther King Day

French Prairie Branch Club are Collecting Toys for the Love Santa Program

The French Prairie Lions Club has placed collection barrels and boxes around locations in northern Marion County for the Love Santa program, according to Club chairman PDG Jim Jaggars. The collection sites will be open for donation of toys through the first week of December. Locations are in the communities of Aurora, Donald and Hubbard and at each school in the North Marion School District.

PDG Jaggars reported the following locations for the toy collection: In Aurora at The White Rabbit and Filberts; in Donald at the Center Market; in Hubbard at the Dollar General and Burger Hut; and at each school in the North Marion School District. Donations can be dropped off at any time when places are open.

This is the fourth year the French Prairie Lions have collected toys for the Love Santa program.

submitted by PDG Jim Jaggars

ANNIVERSARIES

December 2022 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

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

January

Grants Pass	January 18, 1928
Powers	January 30, 1942
Philomath	January 13, 1948
Beaverton	January 16, 1951
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



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Here we are and the Holidays are arriving: Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years.

This is always when Lions are extra busy with their service to their communities. Lions hold food drives and volunteer at their food pantries.

Clubs throughout MD36 have a variety of projects. Some collect hats, gloves and scarfs to donate to those in need. Clubs with kitchen facilities are cooking thanksgiving dinner for residents while others are delivering dinners to those who are house bound.

I recently received news of a club that has its members donate \$25 (or more) gift certificates. The gift certificates are donated to a women's shelter for abused women and their children. They can use the gift certificates for gas, baby food, personal items or whatever they need.

We have Lions who help set up warming shelters and clubs that collect coats and blankets. We know Lions who fill Christmas stockings with cookies, scarfs and small gifts and take them to a retirement home. Lions and Leos throughout MD36 collect toys for children.

Hood River Leos Club each year has a "Hit and Run Santa". Information on the ages of a family is collected. The Leos obtain appropriate gifts – wrap them and tag them. They arrive at the home the week of Christmas, leave the gifts on the doorstep, ring the bell and run (a lot of fun for the Leos and the recipients).

Let's give our District Governors a Holiday gift and step up to a District leadership role. Your Governors are in need of your help to keep our Districts serving their communities throughout MD36. Your help is needed. We appreciate all that you do. We need you during the Holidays and throughout the year.

Join us - "Together We Can."

Directory Updates

- p. 10 Hearing Preservation, Awareness & Action representative from District R is now Cindy Johnson, a Corvallis Lion
- p. 30 Portland Hollywood now meeting Noon, 2 & 4 Thurs., Ross Hollywood Chapel, 4766 NE Thompson, Portland, OR
- p. 34 Hearing Preservation, Awareness & Action is now Cindy Johnson
- p. 93 Add Johnson, Cindy. c) 541.752.1990 and her email is cisea@hotmail.com
- p. 104 Taylor, Bill, PDG. Jan Stewart now living in Missouri. PDG Bill has a new email of btaylorhalf52@gmail.com

Quick Tricks for Publicity Pics!

1. After your meeting, send a story to the Oregon Lion with a copy to the local paper. Many papers are seeking community input.
2. Contact your local city council and get on the agenda to spread the news of what your club is doing for your community.

PDG Gerald Hopkins
Publicity Chair-36G

District O - Northwest - North Coast



District O Governor Column

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As we come to the halfway mark of our Lion year, so many of our clubs are in the midst of food basket projects, sock drives, warm clothing drives, toy give aways, bell ringing and more. Thank you for all the service projects and the time you give to help others.

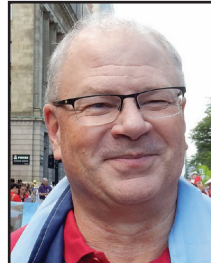
As we enter the new year, there are a few things to put on your to do lists:

1. Plan to attend District O Convention in SE Portland. This is a chance to meet Lions from around the district and learn more about Lions service projects and leadership opportunities.
2. Plan club time to talk about new club officers for next year. Changing leaders gives a chance for new voices, new ideas, and leadership growth.
3. Plan for potential leaders to attend the MD36 Lions Leadership institute in April of 2023.
4. Check with your local schools to plan for activities next year such as flags for first graders, the peace poster contest, starting a Leos club, and learn if you need a background check in place for fall school screenings.

Lastly, consider a multi club service project and invite community members to participate. Plan now for an activity in the Spring or Summer that helps your club get to know your community and helps you find new club members. Explore your area to find out if a potential specialty or branch club can be created. Clubs made of young families, specific language groups or ethnicities, or even a shared interest such as sight loss, diabetes, or the environment, are growing around the world.

DG Kerith

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



District R Governor Column

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Greeting Lions of District 36R,

I have continued to focus on visiting our clubs. At this point all my visits are scheduled and thank you to all that have made this happen. By the middle of December, I will have visited 29 of our 32 clubs and will finish up in mid-January. These visits continue to reinforce the many reasons that I became a Lion. I would highly recommend individual or club visits to our district's clubs as it can also reinforce your commitment to Lionism.

This month I would like to call out my own club, Yachats, and the Waldport Lions club as they represent two clubs that are working together to increase service in our communities and fellowship with our members. Lion Presidents Kevin (Yachats) and TiAnne (Waldport) are expanding on the existing relationship between our two clubs. We even had a joint meeting where each club conducted their business, shared a meal and a speaker.

It appears that our District will not find a 1st Vice District Governor (VDG) this year and will have to appoint a PDG at the start of next year. To not have this to occur the following year, we have until the end of this year to either get a 2nd VDG or fill one of our other cabinet positions with someone willing to become the 1st VDG next year. In life we understand that it takes a team and when you have a team, positions complement each other, and all members find that their individual role is much easier to fulfill. We have four cabinet level positions open and a few more currently filled by PDGs who would happily step aside for someone with passion and energy.

We just had our second district cabinet meeting and had four clubs represented that participated in the activities. We continue to improve the format of the cabinet meeting and we did two exercises, a SWOT and needs assessment that will help us start discussions on the future direction of our District. Our multiple district (MD) PR grant (\$16.5k our district cost \$375) will also become real by the end of this year when we receive our yard signs and magnetic bumper stickers. We need an effective district and MD as grant money in Lions can only be accessed above the club level.

Happy Holidays -- Together We Serve!

District E - Southern - South Coast



District E Governor Column
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May the joy of this season be with you and yours, may the air of Christmas lift your spirit; may the sun brighten your destiny; and may the moon of the season glow with God's favor in everything on which you lay your hands.

As I recently prepared for the 2nd District E cabinet meeting, I was approached by a Lions member to ask if he could come to the meeting. The reason for the query was that he had been told by another person that they thought that the only way a member could attend was by being a member of the district cabinet, or having a special invitation to do so. I assured him that he was welcome, that ALL Lions meetings, are open to ALL Lions members. There is a wealth of information that can be gained by attending any Lions meeting, and especially a cabinet meeting, so I do urge members to attend whenever possible.

Where has the time gone? It seems like just yesterday the four District Governors were in Ontario Canada and yet here we are half way through our year already. I have completed 17 visitations in the District and have found all of the clubs to be doing projects of meaning in their communities. Lions are making themselves visible throughout the year, but never more so than during the holiday season. Numerous fund raisers abound with sales of candy, wreaths, etc. Projects for the communities involve setting up Christmas lights in parks and special areas of town, providing wood for warmth and comfort, assisting in some way with food baskets for those in need, assisting with clothe a child programs, insuring needy families have gifts for the children, and many other activities. The joy of brightening other peoples' lives, bearing each others' burdens, easing other's loads and supplanting empty hearts and lives, becomes the magic of Christmas as "We Serve".

Helen Keller said "The only real blind person at Christmas-time is he who has not Christmas in his heart." And so as Tiny Tim said in Dickens "A Christmas Carol" **God Bless us Everyone!**

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



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As the New Year approaches I look forward to getting more clubs visited. At each visit I get so inspired hearing of all the projects our clubs are accomplishing and how some clubs work together to get things done for their communities.

I know we are all very busy with Holiday projects and of course we are all asked to encourage and bring in new members. My push as District Governor is to remind all of you what a great membership we have and to make sure we are keeping our current members involved and inspired.

Call each other, ask for a bit of help from members that are not attending meetings. There is a reason they are not attending. Keep them involved and feeling welcome and part of a team. Remember we are all part of a big Lions family.

I especially want to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and may 2023 be a better year for all of us.

Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Club Branch at the Springs at Lake Oswego

On Saturday, September 10th, our Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Club Branch members were serving at the Springs at Carmen Oaks in Lake Oswego. Our young high-school volunteers entertained and delighted residential seniors with magic tricks, instrumental performances, poetry-readings and cake baking.

Our show kicked off with volunteer Ophilia Lu, who walked the audience through the process of making her favorite recipe of cheesecake, while performing engaging and delightful magic tricks. Next up, volunteers Jorie Liang and Lexi Ye performed their piano and viola duet, a beautiful piece called "Valse Viret". Shengyao Liu recited a beautiful poem for the elderly citizens to enjoy. Followed by several instrumental solos, the session ended with everyone savoring Ophilia's delicious fresh-out-of-the-oven cheesecakes.



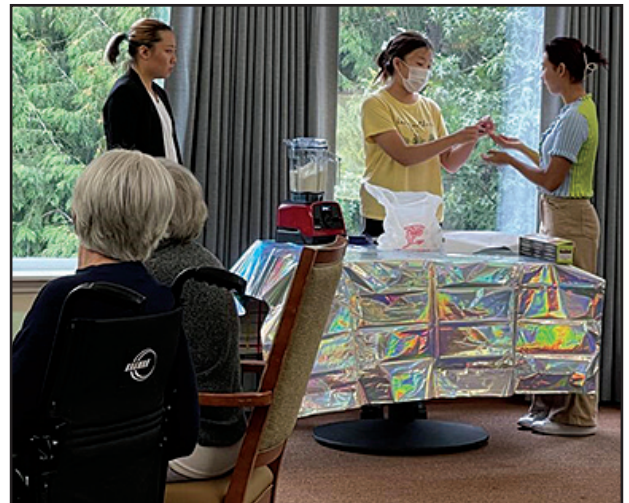
Our VisionEnvoy high-school volunteers with our supportive chaperones. From left to right: Alice Yang, Shengyao Liu, Jorie Liang, Lexi Ye, Ophilia Lu, Lucy Liu.



Our amazing pianist Shengyao Liu performing her high difficulty piano piece while the seniors look on.



Our amazing volunteer Lexi Ye is more than ready to fill in despite the shortage of volunteers. Lexi enriched the seniors with her splendid viola solo.



Ophilia Lu performing a dice magic trick with the help of Jorie Liang. Shengyao Liu and seniors excitingly watch, awaiting the surprise.

As a Lion, it is important to serve our local communities, especially those in the generations that came before us. Our young VisionEnvoy members demonstrated respect and gratitude to our local seniors and were able to mutually enjoy each other's company.

submitted by Jorie Liang

VisionEnvoy Lions Branch at the 2020 Cultural Xchange

It was on Sunday, September 18th, at the annual Lake Oswego Cultural Xchange at Millennium Plaza Park where the Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Club Branch members donned traditional Chinese Hanfu dresses and enthusiastically represented the Lake Oswego Lions Club and Lions International as well as the Chinese community! At this multicultural event, from noon till 8:00 pm, these young volunteers worked hard, promoting Lionism, teaching crafts and origami, showcasing the rich history of the dynasties of China, running trivia and spin the wheel games, all while enjoying the diverse atmosphere of the festival.



(l-r) VisionEnvoy's high schoolers Sandy Tang and Kun Li manage the trivia table, testing visitor's knowledge of Chinese history and rewarding correct answers with prizes.



(l-r) Ophelia Lu and Kun Li assist with Trivia table.



(l-r) Lion Alice Yang, Genevieve Ford, and Bonnie Roeder are pictured in the exquisite traditional Hanfus and spoke with visitors about Lake Oswego Lions Club and our mission and projects.



(l-r) Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Branch Club's high school volunteers, Jorie Liang, Grace Liu of OCC (Oregon Chinese Coalition), Lions Yuehong Liu, Alice Yang, Kun Li, Jeanie Jensen, and a friend are pictured displaying the transitional Hanfu.

As Lake Oswego Lions Club President Bonnie Roeder posted on the Lake Oswego Lions Club Facebook page, We are happy for this opportunity to “encourage peace and international understanding” a mission of Lions International. How will we understand if we don't know and how will we know without the help of those who do? Through this event, the young Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Club Branch members were able to collaborate and work as a team, experience the diversity of other nations, and reconnect with their respective cultures. Overall, it was a great day of service with lots more to come! Although this is the first time the young VisionEnvoy members organized this event, their booth very successfully attracted lots of visits from youth and adults.

LIONS VISIONGIFT

Before we end 2022...



In 2022, Lions VisionGift presented at the Cornea & Eye Banking Forum in Chicago and the American Glaucoma Society in Nashville. In Istanbul, we supported Dr. Kılıç as she restored patients' sight using KeraNatural tissues developed here in our lab. In Oregon and online, we hosted gatherings for donor families, who came together to remember their loved ones. In Boston, we grew our output and further bolstered our reputation as a premier eye bank.

We're proud to help bring the world into focus, and we're honored by the recognition our work garnered from the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery this year. Most recently, our CEO, Chris Stoeger, presented with the Leonard Heise Award, given to non-medical eye bankers in recognition of their outstanding devotion to the Eye Bank Association of America's development and for exemplifying the precepts of Leonard Heise, a major contributor to the fight against blindness and one of the EBAA's founders.

Lions VisionGift relies on generous financial donations from our community. Please consider including our organization in your year-end giving. Your contribution will make cornea transplants possible as well as advance the safety and efficacy of cornea transplantation for people around the world.

You can make a gift online at: www.visiongift.org or by mail:

**Lions VisionGift
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2201 SE 11th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214**

submitted by Matt Webber

District 36R Holds First Information Seminar

36-R DG David O'Kelley held this year's first Information Seminar in October. The agenda was to tell clubs in 36R about our Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation and about the Lions Clubs International Foundation.



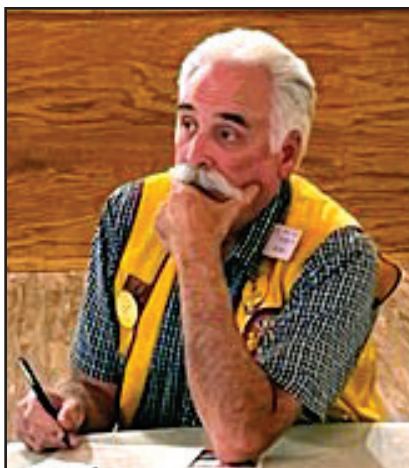
PDG Steve Moser and DG David O'Kelley explaining how LCIF grants work.



DG David covering the agenda for the 36R Information Seminar.

In session #1 OLSHF (Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation) CEO Lion Doug Thompson presented information about our foundation, how it works with schools and screening, upcoming Lions Day at the capital, and a new project this year to encourage Lions Clubs projects in the spring to help our communities and at the same time promote Lions and what we do. OLSHF is working with Lions around the state to help develop and promote a Lions Day, or Week, or Month in the spring. CEO Lion Doug emphasized this idea is not to replace any projects clubs are already doing but to encourage all clubs to join in a Oregon Lions service time in the spring.

In session #2 LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation) Chair PDG Lion Steve Moser covered what LCIF is about. How LCIF grants can be applied for and how the grants can be used to help in the LCIF major areas of need: Diabetes, Vision, Hunger, Environment, and Childhood Cancer.



Central Lions Club President Lion Timm Cable taking notes during the presentations.



OLSHF Chair PDG Tom Hilgers and wife Lion Paula Hilgers listening intently at the first Information Seminar this year.

And yes, PDG Steve is the one that brought us the "Million Penny" project last year... well this year he is bringing us the 250,000 nickel project. He explained how every nickel we collect will go to help someone in need.

PDG Steve concluded by telling the audience that typically Oregon receives more money in grants from LCIF than we contribute.

submitted by PCC Rod Bach

Portland Hollywood Lions Have Successful Eye Glass Sorting Event

As storm clouds gathered on October 22, seven Portland Hollywood Lions and two guests gathered at the OLSHF warehouse and sorted approximately 9,600 pairs of glasses! We still hold the record of eyeglass sorting. We had a great time and it is a wonderful team-building experience.



(l-r) Portland Hollywood Lions Gary Balo, David Ott, Karen Balo and LERC Manager Tracy Brown.



Portland Hollywood Lion Tim Stone.

As many of you know, these glasses are sent to Coffee Creek Correctional Facility in Wilsonville where they will be processed for future distribution around the world. To give you an idea, approximately 6,000 pairs of glasses are sent to Mexico for the MD36 International Vision & Health Clinic. Often, 2,500 people are screened and glasses distributed when needed. If you ever have a chance to go on one of these trips, GO!



(l-r) Portland Hollywood Lion Arlene Halvorson, Guest Barbara Breese, and Portland Hollywood Lion Melinda Palmer.



(l-r) Lions David Ott, Karen Balo, Gary Balo, Tim Stone, guest Barbara Breese, Lions Melinda Palmer, Arlene Halvorson, PDG Sandy Woolverton and guest, Benito Del Toro.

Thank you all for helping make this service project a great success.

submitted by PDG Sandy Woolverton

Elgin Lions Collect for Food Bank

A one-day drive by the Elgin Lions netted 372 pounds of food for the Elgin Food Bank. Gail Sutherland, Food Bank Director, stated that not only the 372 pounds were delivered, but additional donations including three racks of bread, 36 rolls of toilet paper, shampoo, conditioners and more, as well as a cash donation of over \$100.



(l-r) Mary Hopkins, PDG Gerald Hopkins, Doreen Baker and Shannon Baker collect groceries at Foodtown.



(l-r) Lion President Barbara Hawes with Gail Sutherland, Elgin Food Bank Director.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Free Pie and Homemade Ice Cream

The Elgin Lions hosted a free homemade pie and ice cream event for the community to express appreciation of support for the Club. With a sunny, warm day, the turnout for the event was highly successful according to the members of the Club who helped serve. The excursion train rolled into Elgin in the afternoon and members aboard the trip also stopped in to enjoy pies made by Club members.



Shawn and Saviah Kunz stop by for treats.



Lions prepare for the major social even in Clarence Witty Park.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

MD36 Nature Photo Contest returns



After a three year hiatus we are pleased to announce that the MD 36 Nature Photo Contest will once again resume. "Oregon is such a beautiful state. With 10 different ecosystems, there's plenty of beauty to capture in every part of the state," stated MD36 Environmental Chair Phyllis Carlin, "From mountains to lush green forests to the oceans and plains, we've got it all in Oregon and it's all beautiful."

So here's the information you need and what you do to enter:

- Photos must be taken by a MD36 Lions member.
 - Limit 5 entries per Lion.
 - No photoshopping.
 - Deadline for entries is April 15, 2023
 - A panel of four photographers will pick the top five photos.
 - All photos will displayed and the winners voted on at the State Convention in May.
 - A Silent Auction of the photos will be held at the State Convention to defray the cost of printing.
 - E-mail your photos to: phylcarlin@gmail.com
 - Questions, please contact me at phylcarlin@gmail.com
- Submitted by Phyllis Carlin
MD36 Environmental Chairperson
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St. Helens Lions Donate to Doernbecher

The St. Helens Lions Club recently marked Childhood Cancer Month by contributing \$300 worth of toys, such as stuffed animals, Barbies, Mr. Potato Heads and night lights, to the Doernbecher Children's Hospital. Children in the hospital are given a special toy or cuddly stuffed animal/blanket when they reach a milestone in treatment or just need a day brightener.



(l-r) Lions Kathy Syrstad and Zone Chair Linda McCoy with donations for Doernbecher.

Lion Kathy Syrstad learned of a 9-year old in Albany (a former Doernbecher patient herself) who was doing a fundraiser to buy things for the hospital patients. Emma, with help from her mom and younger sister, has a scone stand on weekends in front of her house. She enjoys baking the treats and donates part of her profits to Doernbecher's Wish List, along with any donations she receives. The St. Helens Lions felt they wanted to make a personal connection with their donation and Emma was happy to add our gifts to the \$2,000 worth from her earnings. Lions Jim and Kathy Syrstad enjoyed meeting Emma, a truly inspirational young lady, and her family, when they dropped off the Club's gifts.

Emma was surprised at the hospital by the FOX 12 news crew and Les Schwab when they met her with another truck filled with toys to add to the full truck that Emma's family brought. In addition, they gifted Emma with a large collection of baking equipment and decorating supplies to keep her inspired. She was all smiles and dimples!



(l-r) Lion Kathy Syrstad and Emma Cranston with donations from St. Helens Lions Club for Doernbecher.

East Albany Lions . . .

Induct New Members and Discuss Membership Orientation

DG David O'Kelley and PDG Lynn Coon visited the East Albany Lions to help with membership orientation and installing new members. We really enjoyed their insight and help. Together we can

ROAR!!!!!! DG David didn't make the photo (bad hair day 😊)



PDG Lynn Coon inducting two new members into East Albany Lions. (l-r) sponsor Jadie and son River, Secretary Lion Terry Wylie, sponsor King Lion Roger, new Lion Katie and PDG Lynn Coon.

Continue to Support their Community

East Albany Lion Deb Nelson recently presented a donation to Executive Director Karsen O'Bryan of ABC House in Albany, a child's advocacy center that provides high-quality child abuse assessments and support services for local children and youth when there are concerns of abuse and neglect.

(l-r) Lion Deb Nelson presenting a donation to Executive Director Karsen O'Bryan of the ABC House.



Provide Scholarships



(l-r) Joann Alford of Albany public schools Foundation receives 3 Jack Haines memorial scholarships for Albany schools from Lion Jerry Shipman.

all articles submitted by Bill Scheler

Pendleton Lions Club Staying Busy, Busy, Busy . . .

The Pendleton Lions participated in Pendleton's downtown Trick or Treat and Pilot Rocks' Trunk or Treat. They had over 2,000 Trick or Treaters in Pendleton and 20-30 in Pilot Rock. Sherri Sievert was the Lion. I was the Lion hunter. The Lion got hugs from about 100 kids. The Lion hunter got 3 and they were sent over by the Lion.



(l-r) Risa Rigger, PDG John Taylor and Sherri Sievert.



(l-r) Sherri and I with our friends who traveled here from Africa.



(l-r) Risa Rigger as the "proper English hunter" with a pipe and Lion Sherri Sievert at the Trunk and Treat.

submitted by Risa Rigger

(Lions not pictured: PDG Bill Taylor, Pat Tuttle, Pat Anders, Roxanne Hanel and Alfred Wood.)

Pendleton Lions Donate Goods & Money for October's Domestic Violence Services Month

October is Domestic Violence services month. We make an annual donation of goods and money. This year we gave about twice as many goods as we did last year. Many Lions in our Club donated to the cause. The Club also gave them a check for \$300. We hope to continue this as an ongoing project.



Lions who delivered the goods were (l-r) PDG John Taylor, Risa Rigger, Randee Bronson, Sherri Sievert and PDG Bill Taylor.

submitted by Risa Rigger



OREGON LIONS Sight & Hearing Foundation

OLSHF Accepting Nominations For Hall of Fame



Doug Thompson
Chief Executive Officer

Nominations are now open for the
2023 Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing
Foundation Hall of Fame.

2023 Inductees will be honored
at the MD-36 Convention
in Seaside next May.



Tom Hilgers
Board Chair

Criteria for Nomination

Lions with a minimum 10 years of service to the Foundation in a leadership or volunteer service role may be nominated to the Hall of Fame. Hall of Fame recognition is limited to one person per year in the posthumous category and two per year (plus ties) in the living category to keep it a very special honor.

Nominations Accepted Through January 27

Lions in MD-36 are eligible to make nominations from now through January 27, 2023. Nominations should be mailed to Doug at Doug@olshf.org or mailed to the Foundation offices. All nominations should describe why the nominee deserves to be inducted into the OLSHF Hall of Fame in 250 words or less.

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

Ted Carlin*	2021	Mike Morelli*	2018	William "Page" Douglas*	2014
Bev Bridgewater	2021	Fred McNaughton	2017	Don Bowers*	2013
Hank Calhoun	2021	Brian Rangitsch	2017	Don Green*	2013
Ron Scheurer	2021	Art Rotter*	2017	Walt Trandum*	2013
Brad King	2020	Rod Bach	2016	Art Abbott	2012
Dr. Mark Terry	2020	Earl Dobson*	2016	Victor De'Prey*	2012
Bev Thoman*	2020	Bill Nourse	2016	Mo Jaffer*	2012
Russ Gilmore	2019	Sharon Rollins	2016	George Sahlberg	2012
Dr. JP Lowery	2019	Carl Berry*	2015	John Anderson*	2011
Jan Stewart	2019	Art Carroll	2015	Warren Heathman	2011
Carl Abraham*	2018	Keith Price	2015	Dennis Tichenor	2011
Des Howarth*	2018	Bill Taylor	2015	Marguerite Hofferber*	2010
Pat Jaffer	2018	Wally Anderson	2014	Norman Ross*	2010
Bob Mackey	2018	Tom Bessonette	2014	Dr. Richard Chenoweth*	2009

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

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Nina Wiley

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Russ & Deborah Lee
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William Taylor & Janice Stewart
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Lion Tamer - \$500 to \$999

Amanda & Ray Mooney
Aris Thanos
Belinda & Dean Petshow
Helen Honse & Bert Cornick
Herminia & Robert Marxen
Hood River LC
John & Kris Jorgenson
John Anderson
Judith Poage
Mary & John Yates
Michael & Tiffany Fogoros
Nathan Harward
Phyllis Carlin
Tom McCann

Lion Patron - \$100 to \$499

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Alice Yang
Andrew & Kelly Asbra
Annie Curtwright
Arie Paulson
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School Vision Screening



Over 70,000 children screened for vision issues so far this school year! Thanks to the SVS team, Lions, volunteers, school nurses & staff who work together to help kids in Oregon and Northern California.

In just one day, across the State of Oregon, we partnered with local schools and Lions Clubs to provide vision screening events at 17 different schools, screening a little over 3,000 students for vision health issues and referring nearly 500 of them for comprehensive eye exams.

We are grateful for all who help OLSHF to screen school children throughout the state!

Patient Care & Mission Cataract

Each year, low-income Oregonians and Northern Californians receive sight and hearing saving surgeries and treatments through the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation's Patient Care program. The Foundation partners with medical professionals throughout the state who drastically reduce their fees to care for the most vulnerable in our community.

Many low-income residents of Oregon and Northern California receive free cataract surgeries through the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation's Mission Cataract program. The Foundation partners with ophthalmologists in Portland, Eugene, Grants Pass, and Kennewick, WA who generously donate their time and facilities for free medical care. If not for Mission Cataract, many recipients would lose their sight and independence, remain unemployed and unable to drive.



ROAR! Hearing Assistance



Thanks to partnerships between the Starkey Foundation, Sonic Innovations, Phonak and the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation (OLSHF), Lions Clubs have the ability to offer to new hearing aids to participating providers within the ROAR! Hearing Assistance Program network. These partnerships help bridge gaps between providers and local Lions Clubs in high need areas across the state who might not work with refurbished aids. This program serves Oregon residents aged 18 and older who have a household income at or below 200% the Federal Poverty Level.

Partners & Providers

OLSHF relies on partners and providers to provide the resources and care needed to save and restore sight and hearing for those in need in Oregon and Northern California. Because of this, OLSHF is delighted to see that the theme of current Lions Club International President Brian E. Sheenan is "Together We Can". It's so simple, so fundamental, and so true. Together We Can. This is how we feel here at your Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

With the support of the dedicated Lions Club members of MD36, our generous donors, the partnering vision and hearing providers, community service organizations, our Foundation's passionate staff including our incredible SVS field staff around the state, and our steadfast Board of Directors...Together We Can keep the promise that was made to Helen Keller in 1925 to be "Knights of the Blind" and join in her crusade to end preventable blindness [and hearing loss].





East Albany Lions Club



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Lions Quest

Oregon has had a tough time through the Covid Pandemic. Standardized Test Scores have gone down across the state. Another issue is the growth of student suicides. This issue has been growing across the United States. Oregon is requiring each school district to develop a crisis program and team to treat the problem.

The chief medical officer at Harvard's Medical School tells us that teen mental health can ebb and flow during a common school year. Some times of the year are always tough, especially the back to school transition, which is often the most difficult for students.

Parents are urged to talk with their teenagers about what they need from them. Talking openly is not a bad thing. Most important is to be proactive not reactive.

What do the kids say?

- 1) We don't want you to fix us, we want you to listen.
- 2) Mental health is not a phase that we are going to snap out of. Trust us when we say we need help.
- 3) We are already under a lot of pressure. Help lessen it. Don't pile more on.
- 4) It helps when you show understanding and positively reinforce our efforts.
- 5) Mental health is as important as physical health.

What can Lions Clubs do:

- 1) Sponsor the Lions Quest program in your local school district; and
- 2) hand out cards to teens in your community that have the following information:
 - a) the new 3 digit code to ask for help -- #988
 - b) 988lifeline.org
 - c) 800-273-8255

Any one of the above three can provide help to teens in your community and doing either or both activities above is being proactive in helping your community. If you need help, contact the Oregon Department of Education for more information.

It's time for the Oregon Lions to step forward to help your community in any way you can. Remember, be proactive, not reactive. Don't wait until something happens. Do something now to help your community.

submitted by PDG Jim Jagers, MD36 Quest Chair

Elgin Lions Busy With School Screenings

The Elgin Lions completed visual screenings for the Elgin and Imbler Schools. Both schools were finished by noon with an efficient team running the students through quickly on the spot machines.



(l-r) Steve Craig, Bob Reiter, Pat McDonald, Darrel Hawes and Jared Rogers.



(l-r) front row: Steve Craig, Bob Reiter, Pat McDonald, Darrel Hawes and Jared Rogers. (l-r) back row: Betty Jane Bugbee, PDG Kathy Oliver and Barbara Hawes (not pictured PDG Gerald and Mary Hopkins).

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins
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Lions Clubs International Foundation

From July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, more than 495 million people were helped by Lions worldwide. This was an increase of more than 100 million people served over the previous year, thanks to the unwavering commitment of our 1.4 million Lions around the world.

Lions have strengthened local communities through hands-on service and humanitarian projects for more than a century. That service impact is amplified through the generous support of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), which provides grant funding to support the compassionate work of Lions, empowering their service so they can make an even greater impact in their local and global communities.

Here are some of the ways Lions have made a difference in their communities during this historic year of service:

- Awarded 1,254 grants totaling over \$35 million that supported communities and Lions services around the worldwide.
- Mobilized the Refugees and Displaced Persons fund to award nearly \$1.8 million in grants for Lions to support Ukraine refugees.
- Impacted over 27 million people by reducing the prevalence of diabetes and improving the quality of life for those diagnosed.
- Prevented avoidable blindness and improved the quality of life of over 23 million blind and visually impaired people.
- Ensured over 789 million community members had access to nutritious foods.
- Protected and restored our environments to improve the well-being of 156 million people.
- Provided support for over 11 million children, and their families affected by childhood cancer.

All this during the last year of Campaign 100, with the commitment for continued attention for improving the lives of our world community. Your LCIF is now raising some \$20 million per year to sustain the efforts of Campaign 100. We ask that both individuals and clubs, as well as community partners give generously, enabling not only LCIF further success in making this world a better place to live, work and play.

In MD 36, over the years of LCIF existence, we have received some \$1.8+ million in direct assistance and grants for communities in our Multiple District. This includes over \$100,000 in disaster relief since LCIF's inception; \$85,000 for Dogs for the Deaf Kennel Expansion; \$100,000 for the construction of a Patient Guest House; over \$500,000 to assist our own OLS&H Foundation with various grants and assistance over the years, as well as many other LCIF Grants for local areas – like ambulances, habitat homes funding, Food Bank assistance, Dialysis beds, and more. It is our Foundation, so give generously!

submitted by PCC Paul Zastrow

Elgin Lions Help with Beauty and the Beast



PDG Kathy Oliver displays the dress she made for “Beauty and the Beast” to be held at the Elgin Opera House. Members of the Club volunteered their times to help usher the event. PDG Oliver has been a costume designer for various plays held at the Opera House.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Astoria Lions Club Completes Local School Screenings

The Astoria Lions Club worked with school nurses, the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, volunteers from the Assistance League, the Tongue Point Job Corps, as well as local, unaffiliated volunteers to complete one of their key service projects: namely -- vision screening for local schools. Vision screenings were conducted during the last two weeks of October. This annual event required considerable coordination and planning earlier this year and will be carried out again next year.

Astoria Lions offer their sincere thanks to all who participated in the screenings and a special thanks to PCC Brad King and PDG Bert Diamond of OLSHF.

The number of students screened are listed below:

Seaside:

Pacific Ridge Elem = 593
Middle School = 356
High School = 105
Total = 1,054

Knappa:

Hilda Lahti Elem = 208
Hilda Lahti Jr. High = 98
Knappa High School = 115
Total = 421

Astoria and surrounding area:

Astor Elem = 324
Middle = 374
High School = 131
Lewis & Clark Elem = 348
Total = 1,177

Warrenton/Hammond:

Warrenton Grade School = 376
Warrenton Middle School = 217
Warrenton High School = 229
Total = 822

Grand Total = 3,474



Screening Team at Seaside Pacific Ridge Elementary School.



Screening Team at Seaside Middle School – for Middle and High School Students.

submitted by Ray Montgomery



(l-r) Gary Balo, Karen Balo and PDG Sandy Woolverton.

Portland Hollywood Lions Collect for Food Drive

On a cold but dry day, Portland Hollywood Lions gathered at the Hollywood Grocery Outlet for our semi-annual food drive. We collected approximately 495 pounds of food equating to approximately 412 meals. Thru the generosity of others, we also collected \$495 in cash and checks. The food and money will be given to The Hollywood Senior Center/Community for Positive aging.

Executive Directory and Hollywood Lion Amber Kern Johnson shared the following information about the Hollywood Senior Center:

"Community for Positive Aging was founded in 1973 as the Hollywood Senior Center. Our mission is to foster a healthier, more inclusive and connected Portland for adults 55+ through educational and recreational programming, support services, and care.

Throughout the pandemic, we have adapted and strengthened existing programs to serve more vulnerable and isolated community members with safe housing, food, technology support, Covid vaccinations, and improved quality of life for seniors aging in place. We work to keep older adults connected, supported and living independently, to combat the devastating impact of social isolation and malnutrition. Seniors who are food insecure are 65% more likely to be diabetic and suffer from other chronic health conditions. The constant worry and uncertainty associated with food insecurity can also take a toll on one's mental health and wellbeing.

The last two years have been extremely challenging for many in our community. We are seeing a record number of seniors experiencing food insecurity and turning to the Senior Center for assistance. More than 35,765 pounds of food and 886 emergency food boxes have been delivered to low-income seniors this year. As we go into the holidays, we anticipate even more requests for support. We are extremely grateful for the ongoing partnership with the Portland Hollywood Lions Club. They collected over 495 pounds of food (that's 412 meals!). Through the generosity of others, the Portland Hollywood Lions also collected \$500 that we will use to purchase additional food for seniors in our community.

Community partners like the Hollywood Lions are essential to our work!"



(l-r) Gary Balo, David Ott and Melinda Palmer.