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Remember February is Childhood Cancer Awareness & Membership Focus: Women

VisionEnvoy Club Branch and the Lake Oswego High School Songs for Senior Club Performed at the Springs at Lake Oswego



VisionEnvoy Club Branch members and the Lake Oswego High School Songs for Seniors Club pose for a picture.

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East Albany Lions Help at Storybookland



(l-r) Lions Steve Meyer, Steve Hills and Steve Reinhart.

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Elgin Lions Treat Family to Christmas Shopping Bash



(l-r) Sabastian Sanchez, Denice Murrill, Laila Sanchez, Holly Sanchez, Shana Baker, Jan Keil, and PDG Gerald Hopkins.

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MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

February

- 3 Council of Governor's meeting @12:30pm
U of O School of Education Building
- 4 District R Convention, U of O's EMU (Erb Memorial Union), 1395 University St.
Speaker ID Allen Snider (Susan) from Ontario, Canada
- 5 Dist. G Cab. mtg. in Rufus
- 18 Dist. R Cab. mtg. 9am-1:30 details TBD
- 24 Dist. O Cab. mtg. 10am-noon,
1730 SE 117th St., Portland, OR
- 25 Dist. O Convention, 1730 SE 117th St.,
Portland from 8:30am - 4pm
Speaker ID Robert Lee (Pamela) from HI
- 27 SOLSHC Board meeting @ noon

March

- 17 OLSHF Trustee mtg. 9am-noon VIA
ZOOM ONLY
- 18-19 District E Convention, Sutherlin Comm.
Cntr., 150 Willamette St., Sutherlin
- 20 Dist. E Cab. mtg. 10am Sutherlin Comm.
Center
- 27 SOLSHC Board meeting @ noon
- 31-1 District G Convention, Wildhorse Resort,
Pendleton

EVENTS

February

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

March

- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline (for
April issue)

ANNIVERSARIES

February 2023 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.

February

Eugene Downtown	February 9, 1924
Corvallis	February 25, 1925
Junction City	February 2, 1929
Astoria	February 16, 1942
Illinois Valley	February 27, 1948
Elkton	February 14, 1951
South Salem	February 28, 1951
Portland Bentham	February 3, 1954
Sherman County	February 26, 1964
Carlton Yamhill	February 22, 1965
King City	February 22, 1967
Odell	February 24, 1971
Alvadore Franklin	February 2, 1979
Beavercreek	February 12, 1981

March

Portland Downtown	March 11, 1922
Cottage Grove	March 13, 1924
Salem West	March 4, 1942
Burns	March 27, 1942
Jacksonville	March 16, 1948
Myrtle Creek	March 18, 1948
Riddle	March 23, 1948
Canyonville	March 24, 1948
Mapleton	March 29, 1950
Portland Lloyd	March 3, 1960
Tualatin	March 6, 1973
Silver Lake	March 6, 1975
Applegate	March 26, 1975
Portland Metro	March 2, 1992
Portland Oaks Bottom	March 27, 2003
Arlington	March 5, 2010

Are You Moving? Have You Moved?

MD-36 will need a few days to change your address. Please provide your former address as well as your new address preferably by attaching a label from a recent issue of *The Oregon Lion Magazine* in the space outlined below.

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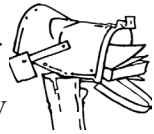
New Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Former Address: _____

Lions Club: _____

Mail this entire form to: The Oregon Lion,
PO Box 51345, Eugene, OR 97405



Council Chair News



Judith Poage

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Fellow Lions, welcome to 2023!! I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Our District Governors are halfway through their term and working on their District Conventions. I encourage all members to help and support our District Governors. You will be surprised at the information you will obtain and the feeling of community from interacting with other Lions. Consider getting involved. And, please attend, it is rewarding and fun.

District R's Convention is on February 4, and District O's Convention is February 25. The registration forms are in the January issue of the *Oregon Lion* magazine. If you have not registered, you can call the Convention Chairperson. We would love to see you. And, do not forget our MD36 Convention is in Seaside on May 19-20. The theme is 'Together We Can' and we need you there.

The month of January was Hunger Awareness month. Many clubs held food drives to help restock the shelves of local food pantries. The increase in the cost of grocery items has made it difficult for many families throughout our Multiple District. Food banks throughout Oregon/No. California are dealing with the increase in demand. Lions will continue to give their support.

The month of February is Childhood Cancer Awareness month. PDG Gary Mose is our Chairperson. For information on donations contact Lion Gary at dglionservice@hotmail.com

I look forward to attending the Conventions with you. MD36 Lions are working hard to diminish hunger in our communities and supporting the efforts to diminish childhood cancer.

Together we can!!
CC Judith Poage

Directory Updates

- p. 97 Mose, Gary, PDG, update information to 52324 Barberrry Circle, La Pine, OR 97739 and delete land line.
- p. 97 Mose, Sue, update information to 52324 Barberrry Circle, La Pine, OR 97739 and delete land line. Add C) smose4756@gmail.com

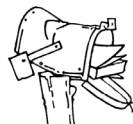
Publicity Suggestions:

1. Add an announcement to a community newsletter. In some communities they might let you add an announcement to a water or electric bill.
2. Send postcards to your friends or neighbors. A small note can be encouraging.

Submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins
District 36-G Publicity Chair

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Old Address _____

Club _____

District O - Northwest - North Coast



District O Governor Column
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This February is our District O Convention and I hope to see many of you as we gather to celebrate our successes and take an opportunity to learn more about different service opportunities for our clubs. 1VDG Ed Glad will also lead a small group activity aimed at providing information for the goals and needs of next year's leadership in our District. Senator Gordon Smith will be speaking, and we will all have a chance to visit with our amazing International Director Bob Lee and his wife Pam from Hawaii.

Convention is a great time for newer and seasoned Lions to get to know one another and find out what we are up to as a District. This spring there will be opportunities to participate in a pediatric cancer walk and a brand new fundraiser for our international foundation! There are always opportunities to serve with the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation as well as the various camps Lions support here in Oregon such as Gales Creek and the Hull Foundation. Please watch your email for more information.

Now is the time to help your community and inspire them and your Lions Club with a fun service project as the sun begins to return. Perhaps this is a chance to gain some new members and help our District reach its membership growth goal. New leaders may be waiting amongst your club to lead a project or take over as a club officer for next year. It is not too late to encourage upcoming leaders to attend the Northwest Lions Leadership training in April.

I look forward to seeing you this Spring as we all get out to support our communities!

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



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Greeting Lions of District 36R,

At the time of publishing, I will have finished my last three official DG Club Visits of our 32 clubs. Lion Patty and I had the opportunity to share a Christmas Dinner with our smallest club (Jefferson) and two of their community partners and a lunch with our second largest club (Eugene Downtown). While being small (5 members) the Jefferson Lions club is active in their community as are many of our smaller clubs. Did you know District R has 16 clubs with less than 15 members. This is not an impediment for our members to serve their communities. I have heard too many times that if a club falls below 20 members, they can no longer be a Lions Club and that is not true, 20 members are required when starting a new Lions Club.

Another thing I have experienced this year is that LCI is very responsive to the District Governors (DGs). For our clubs, what that means, if you need something from LCI and are not getting a response, get the DG involved. Our district leadership is here for our clubs but it is a two edged sword as our district leadership comes from our clubs. We have many open positions on the cabinet and committees that need our club leaders, seasoned or otherwise, to step up. This coming year we will also have a need to fill and replace our 8 Zone chairs as there are new term limits. I choose the perspective that this is a great opportunity to get our newer Lions involved and launch our District forward on its next period of growth and the increased service to our communities that comes with it.

Our next district cabinet meeting is coming up on February 18th and is being hosted by one of our small clubs, Salem North East. Once again we encourage all of our members to attend, especially the club presidents and secretaries. One of the topics that we will be discussing is LCIF Grants that are available at the district level. Many of these are from \$10K to \$100k and require multiple clubs to be involved with some level of Lions and community match. Lion International President, Brian, has challenged us to think outside of our often-self-imposed boxes and to "Think Big When We Serve". This is one way that LCIF helps us with that sentiment and encourages partnerships with other organizations in our communities.

Happy New Year - DG 36R Lion David O'Kelley –
Together We Can and Together We Will

District E - Southern - South Coast

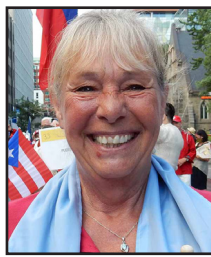


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District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



District G Governor Column
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Happy Valentine's Day to all.

February is a month with many events – Groundhog day, Super Bowl, Valentine's day, Presidents day, and even Ash Wednesday. But, as Lions, we are focusing on the start of the District Conventions. The month of February we see District O and R conventions and in the month of March District E and G will hold theirs. (The registration form for District E's was in January's issue of the Oregon Lion magazine.)

A "Convention Call" containing the registration, meal menu, hotel information, a form for names for the necrology, and how to be a good delegate for your club are all included in the packet, and it has been sent to each club in District E. Be sure to get your registrations sent in ASAP. This is such a great time to renew old friendships and make new ones. A time to hear about the activities of other clubs, and share your own memories of activities you have participated in that have made a difference in the life of someone in your community.

As you get ready for convention, remember there are the contest entries to prepare- the club newsletter, the brochure, the scrapbook, the Website, the facebook page and a report on a social and cultural event the club has done in the community.

Also, don't forget that there is a Club Membership award given out to the club that has attained the largest NET membership gain since July 1 of this year and the award to the member who has sponsored the most new members since July 1. It is not too late to act, and to win either one of these Awards- YOU KNOW HOW-- Ask, and then Ask again, and then Ask again. It can be very effective and who knows how many new members can be inducted in the month of February!

As we go forward in this year 2023, please remember that we can't expect others to believe in us, unless we first believe in ourselves. As Lions "We Serve" from the heart because we do believe in ourselves and what we stand for - - Keep Serving my fellow Lions.

Dear Fellow Lions,

As we move further into 2023 I am hoping you all are well and recovering from the Holidays. The yard signs have arrived so we will begin distributing them to all our members as soon as possible so we can share our pride in being Lions.

It is the Chinese New Year of the Rabbit but to me it will be the Year of the Lion! I want you all to reflect on why you became a Lion and share that with others. Although we are one Lion family we are all different people and we all have our own reasons we joined a club that helps others and our communities. I am starting to hear from clubs that they are inducting some new members and I am so happy we have made it through the worst of the Pandemic and are ready to move ahead and join with others in service.

I have a goal for 2023 that each Lion member give themselves a challenge to bring in at least one new member. Let's show our enthusiasm to friends and folks we meet, proudly wear your Lion pins, anything to show you are part of a wonderful group of folks. Many will ask you what Lions do. Explain that we care, we share and we serve. Greet new people moving into the community, take them information on Lions and help them step right in to feel like a part of their new community. Joining a Lions Club is a perfect way to make them feel like they are a part of something. If I had not become a Lion I would not have met what has become some of my dearest friends and my world has become larger.

A big reminder that we still are needing members to step up into offices. I personally helped the Lions for years but held back on joining. I am a great worker bee but not a leader. I had my arm twisted to join, yes we have it on film, and look what I am doing now. Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone, be brave, step up and help lead! You will have lots of help from others and there is great information on the Lions website. I have been able to travel to places I never would have seen had I not stepped up and agreed to broaden my sights from our little Eastern Oregon town. So, as we prepare for conventions and Spring I want to wish you all the best and God Bless.

The Waldport Lions Help Kids in Need



On November 4, 2022, the Waldport Lions Club was awarded the Siletz Tribal Contribution Fund Award of \$2,000 to help fund the Lions Backpack Program serving homeless youth attending Crestview Elementary School and Waldport Middle/High Schools. Currently the Backpack Program provides food twice a month for 50 youth. There is such a need in South Lincoln County, the Lions Backpack Program has a goal to provide 100 students with nutritious groceries every weekend. Weekends and school breaks are especially critical for the homeless population because when school is closed, children are not provided with breakfast, lunch and snack.

For a better understanding of the need in our community, consider that the assistance given to families does not cover the need with food prices on the rise. This coupled with the fact that local stores in South Lincoln County are all convenience stores, not large chain grocery stores which adds to the basic cost of food. So, the Lions Backpack Program is essential to our families in need.

The close to being official Fighting Irish Leo Club members assist with the Lion Backpack Program by shopping for groceries with the intent of avoiding products heavily laden with sugar. After the shopping trip, groceries are brought to the ASPIRE Office where Petter Colley (who will be their Leo Club Advisor) and Lions Backpack Coordinator, John Westhafer organize the groceries so these soon-to-be-official Leo Club members can pack up the groceries for kids to take home.

Special thanks to the soon to be official Fighting Irish Leo Club, Newport Grocery Outlet, Siletz Tribe, Walmart, Yachats Lions Club for joining Waldport Lions Club in providing nutritious food for kids in need through the Lions Backpack Program.



submitted by TiAnne Rios

VisionEnvoy Club Branch & the Lake Oswego High School Songs for Senior Club Performed at the Springs at Lake Oswego

On November 22, our Lake Oswego Lions VisionEnvoy Club Branch members collaborated with the Lake Oswego High School Songs for Seniors Club and served at the Springs at Carmen Oaks in Lake Oswego. Our large group of high-school volunteers entertained residential seniors with a variety of performances, including a strings quintet, a clarinet and piano duo, beautiful piano solos, a voice performance and more.

Our performance began on the Assisted Living floor, with our soloists Ronni Horyelov on the violin and Muen Teng and Hanna Barret on the piano. Our clarinet-piano duet by Alana Penoyer and Malia Penoyer was performed after the soloists finished. Their spectacular duet was followed by our grand Strings Quintet, formed by Aiden Kwapisz, Philip Rha, Grace Peng, Steven Peng and Katelyn Chun.

Our second group of volunteers went to the Spring's Memory Care community, where they performed to a group of eagerly waiting elders. Tai Brown performed "Clair de Lune" by Debussy, causing a few elders to relax and fall into a peaceful sleep. Next, Jorie Liang of the VisionEnvoy Club Branch performed a joyous Sonatina, causing a few elders to clap their hands excitedly to the beat. Lucy Xu also delighted the seniors with a Mazurka by Chopin. Finally, Leyla Gore brought the solo performances to an end with her beautiful voice.



VisionEnvoy Club Branch members and the LOHS Songs for Seniors Club pose for a picture.



The Strings Quintet (l-r): Grace Peng, Steven Peng, Philip Rha, Aiden Kwapisz and Katelyn Chun.



(l-r) Aiden Kwapisz and Philip Rha playing the viola.



Hannah Barret at the keyboard.

There was a certain elder that was incredibly enjoying the musical performances. This elder hummed along during 'Clair de Lune' and always tried to clap his hands to the beat of whatever song was being performed. "It was heartwarming," said volunteer Jorie Liang. "It made me truly feel like I was bringing joy." As a non-profit composed of mostly young individuals, it was touching to see how we connected to those of the older generations.

A special thanks to Shengyao Liu of VisionEnvoy and Alana Penoyer of the LOHS Songs for Seniors Club for making this collaborative event possible. These two caring individuals have truly taught us that we are stronger, wiser, and better together.

submitted by VisionEnvoy Club Branch member Jorie Liang
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This February 14th is National Donor Day



Observed every year on February 14th, National Donor Day is an observance dedicated to spreading awareness and education about organ, eye and tissue donation.

By educating and sharing the donation & transplant message, we can each take small daily steps to help save and heal more lives, and honor the donor's legacy of generosity and compassion. National Donor Day is a time to focus on all types of donation—organ, eye, tissue, blood, platelets and marrow.

For **Lions VisionGift**, we will honor Hayden, a cornea donor, by filming an event at a local area hospital to be included in an upcoming video to celebrate the gift of sight. Hayden died at age 15, but his mother, Anne, also a nurse, has found a way to celebrate Hayden's legacy by painting over 1,000 rocks each year and giving them away on February 14th.

What steps might you take this National Donor Day to help spread awareness about the lifesaving gift of sight restoration?

submitted by Matt Webber



Leadership

It's an Adventure

Northwest Lions Leadership Institute

What?

The 2022 Northwest Lions Leadership Institute. Open To all Lions who have not yet Served as District Governor, And who wish to sharpen Their leadership and Communication skills.



Where?

*Institute— Sutherlin
Community Center
150 Willamite St.*



Hotel—

Best Western Plus

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When?

*Institute dates: April 21-23,2023
Applicant Deadline April 10,*

Apply:

Join Lions from MD36 in developing and sharpening your personal leadership skills while enjoying fun and fellowship at the same time.

For application forms and/or questions, contact:

CC Gail Black at sgblack@charter.net • phone 541-863-5073 or 541-733-5450

PCC Vince Bishop at vfbishop@hotmail.com • phone 541-974-3620

The Dalles Have a Behind-the Scenes Adventure

Lion Timmy Mac says “Let’s get a float for the Starlight Parade. I have access to a 1923 GMC 1 ton truck.” He then asked Lion Mike Kilkenny to be the co-pilot. What could possibly go wrong? The truck didn’t run real well, had no headlights or taillights and the brakes were marginal at best. To my surprise we made it through the parade and to Lion Bill Hamilton’s house to unload the tree.



Parade Truck Driver Lion Tim McGlothlin.



(l-r) Lions Mike Kilkenny and Tim McGlothlin.



(l-r) Lions Mike Kilkenny and Carolyn Layson.



(l-r) Lions Tim McGlothlin, Mike Kilkenny and Carolyn Layson.



(l-r) Lions Tim McGlothlin, Bill Hamilton and Carolyn Layson.

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at the Starlight Parade

Since we had no headlights and had to take the truck back to the Port office, Lion Bill led the way with his pickup so we could see where we were going. Leo Christopher Rankin took over the Lion Costume and did an excellent job and kept the crowd going.



(l-r) Lions Patrick Kilkenny, Carolyn Layson, Jim Wilcox, Tim McGlothlin and Mike Kilkenny.



(l-r) Lions Tim McGlothlin, Patrick Kilkenny, Jim Wilcox and Mike Kilkenny.



Float in parade.

Just another The Dalles Lions Adventure!!!!

submitted by Mike Kilkenny

District G Holds

The mid-November weather held and Lions converged at Bob Texas T-Bone Restaurant in Rufus for the second District G Cabinet Meeting.

Following the usual procedural affairs involving the Oregon State Registry, District address changes, budget proposals, clubs in good standing and bank signatures, the committee chairs gave their reports.



PCC Paul Zastrow, District G's Treasurer, discusses International grants.

PCC Paul Zastrow noted that more than 495 million people were helped by Lions worldwide. This was an increase of more than 100 million people served over the previous years, thanks to the unwavering commitment of 1.4 million Lions around the world. PCC Zastrow gave some facts of Lions awarding 1,254 grants totaling over \$35 million to support communities. The Lions mobilized the Refugees and Displaced persons fund to award nearly \$1.8 million in grants for support to Ukraine refugees, and Lions ensured over 789 million community members access to nutritious foods. PCC Zastrow also noted that in MD36, over the years of LCIF existence, some \$1.8 million has been given in direct assistance including disaster relief, construction of a patient guest house, food banks, dialysis beds and much more. He encouraged all clubs to donate to our Foundation.

District Governor Cheri Jackson discussed the District photo contest and indicated that any Lion photo would be accepted, but she encouraged pictures of Lion activities or environmental photos. Five photos will be selected from those entered to be sent to the District convention. DG Cheri also encouraged clubs to enter the Peace Poster Contest. DG Cheri noted that the club tri-folds displaying activities are still encouraged at the district level.



(l-r) Cabinet Secretary Betty Jane Bugbee and DG Cheri Jackson discuss the financial status of the District.

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2nd Cabinet Meeting

PDG Gerald Hopkins gave a report on the progress of the public relations grant, and will get additional information for the cabinet. PDG Hopkins also discussed projects of the Elgin Lions since the last district meeting which included a basketball tournament, community Christmas tree, Light Parade, Trunk or Treat, Pie & Ice Cream social for the community, public restroom, sponsoring of a blood drive, and the purchase of 22 examinations and glasses for community members.

Lion Greg Simpson noted that Hood River is holding a grocery raffle with \$500 of prizes for the winners. He stated their Christmas tree pickup project was successful once again last winter. Collection of cans has netted approximately \$60,000 for the year. The club helps sponsor the LEOS and donates \$15,000 of the recycled cans back to the LEOS, who also participate in the drive. A major project being discussed by the club is the bunk bed project, in which Lions build and distribute bunk beds to kids, so they do not have to sleep on the floor, which is happening in some of the homes. Simpson stated they may pair up with Rotary to pursue the project.



Greg Simpson covers many of the activities taking place in the Hood River Club.



The Dalles Lion Jeff Stiles discusses the guest artists who have painted murals.

Jeff Stiles of The Dalles Lions, also said that the Lions joined forces with Kiwanis and Rotary members to sponsor a blood drive. A major project for the community involved bringing in 250 guest artists, who painted 15 walls of murals. The club has already screened 500 students and still has some of the local schools to serve. Stiles mentioned that Public Relations is an area the club would like to develop. He noted there has been discussion about creating a movie to show what the Lions are doing in their own community.

The Hood River Eye Openers are continuing with the program of Families in the Park each Thursday. The success has been outstanding. They have served breakfast for the annual fly-in by aircraft.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Youth Exchange Program

Becoming a Host Family

Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences? Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you? Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding and the creation of global citizenship in youth? If you have answered “yes” to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for this, the 60th year of the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange Program. Interested – contact Paul at pzastrow@gorge.net.

Benefits of Hosting

Hosting an exchange youth or two is guaranteed to be a rewarding experience because:

- 1 – you experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- 2 – you learn about the exchange youth’s customs and culture
- 3 – you open a new world of possibilities and thinking to the exchange youth
- 4 – you make a new friend – perhaps for life

Expectations of a Host Family

You are expected to provide room and board for the youth. It is recommended that youth be in contact with others of approximate age and similar genders. Meals should be balanced and healthy.

Typically, you are responsible for all of the youth’s transportation during the exchange. This travel may include transfers to and from airports or train stations, with other host families or to a camp or organized activity. If you have agreed to cover cultural activities, you may wish to pay for any entry fees that may be charged.

Although normally Lions members host incoming youth, it is not a requirement that you be a Lions member. There are a number of items that are necessary to be screened prior to being issued an exchange student.

Essentially your youth is to be treated as a member of your family while being with you and participating in normal family activities, such as picnics, sports activities, cultural visits, and more. Be sure that you can make the time available to support quality time with assigned youth!

A family can host more than one youth, should be of the same gender and from different countries – so they can truly share greater cultural experiences. Additionally, hosts can share incoming youth – for example we had 5 families sharing 3 youth from Austria and Italy several years ago.



Working in the Fish Food Bank in Hood River where groceries were sorted and bags filled with foodstuffs taken to waiting cars.



Visiting Crater Lake.

submitted by PCC Paul Zastrow

East Albany Lions Help at Storybookland

The East Albany Lions volunteered at storybookland to help them collect food and donations for the FISH Food Pantry. While we were there, over 1,200 people from around the community brought more than 700 items for FISH.



(l-r) Lions Steve Meyer, Steve Hills and Steve Reinhart.



(l-r) Lions Betsey Hills and Steve Hills.

submitted by Bill Scheler, Membership Chair

Bend/Sunrise Lion Welcomed and Sworn in as Honorary Member of East Kauai Lions Club

On a recent visit to Kauai to visit family, Lion Bill Moore (Secretary Bend/Sunrise Lions) paid a visit to the East Kauai Lions Club in Lihue where he presented the club with a set of Hawaiian Lions pins that had been donated to our Club. After the presentation, Lion Bill was nominated and sworn in as a Honorary member of the East Kauai Lions Club. He was sworn in by Past District Governor Lion Roy Nishida.



(l-r) East Kauai Lion PDG Roy Nishida swearing in Bend/Sunrise Lion Bill Moore as a Honorary member of their club.

submitted by Russell Chase, President



Doug Thompson
Chief Executive Officer



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OLSHF Hall of Fame Nominations Are Open



Tom Hilgers
Board Chair

One of the highlights of the year for Lions in Oregon and northern California is the MD-36 Convention, scheduled this year for May 19-20 at the Seaside Convention Center -- this is a wonderful opportunity to create and enhance friendships with Lions from across the state and to learn new ways to help people in need in your community.

For many, one of the highlights of the Convention itself is Friday night: Celebrating Lions accomplishments at the District Dinners followed by a delicious dessert and the induction of new members of the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation's Hall of Fame.

OLSHF Hall of Fame Members Through The Years

OLSHF has been recognized in a variety of ways for our success in "keeping the promise" of addressing preventable blindness and hearing loss: Lions Club International's Lions KidSight USA See Clearly recognition as the nation's top school vision screening program, and Oregon Business Magazine's recognition as the #1 Best Nonprofit to Work For in Oregon are just two examples.

This recognition comes on the shoulders of those individuals that dedicated themselves to Lionism and their passion for OLSHF and our mission to serve those in need of sight and hearing services that they otherwise wouldn't receive. Our OLSHF Hall of Fame members are listed to the right.

Nominations Are Open For 2023 OLSHF Hall of Fame Induction

Lions with a minimum 10 years of service to the Foundation in a leadership or volunteer service role may be nominated to the OLSHF Hall of Fame. Hall of Fame induction 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.

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

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

* Indicates deceased

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ROAR! Hearing Assistance Program Recent Highlights

Annie* received hearing aid help recently and we love sharing successes! Learn more about ROAR at <https://olshf.org/roar>

Annie is extremely thrilled with her new hearing aids. She couldn't believe how fast she received her new pair. Her advocate thanks OLSHF, the Lions Club and Klamath Audiology for making sure Annie could access hearing care.

"There are no words to express the gratitude, for the kindness and support that has been shown to this lucky little lady."

From ROAR clinic last Friday in Sutherlin: Darren* was so happy when he received his hearing aids! He gave a high five and a huge smile to the Roseburg Lion helping him, and was truly beaming!

Darren will now get "some enjoyment by being able to listen to music through [his] phone, something [he has] really missed."

A reminder of how life changing a pair of hearing aids can be, especially for Darren who lives with profound hearing loss.

*Indicates an alternate name to protect our recipients privacy



School Vision Screening Program Highlights

121,861 students screened (as of 1/20/23) at 544 events

18,430 students referred for follow up vision care

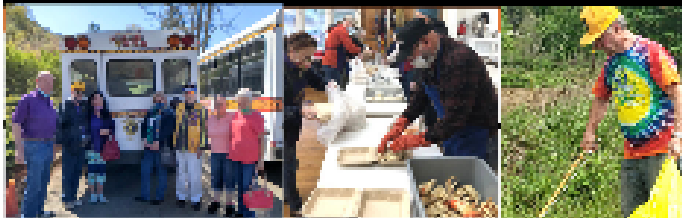
15% referral rate, 8% higher than pre-pandemic years



2023 Lions KTP Days

June 2023 (or whenever is convenient for you!)

A new opportunity to raise awareness of ALL MD-36 Lions Clubs and the important work we do throughout Oregon and in northern California



"A coordinated 2023 KTP Days effort will raise awareness of Lions Clubs throughout MD-36."

- TOM HILGERS, OLSHF CHAIR

All Lions Clubs in MD-36 are invited to use the Lions KTP Days celebration as a way to raise awareness of their Lions Club in their community and to strengthen an existing Club activity – or begin a new one!

We invite YOUR Lions Club to plan now to participate in the 2023 KTP Days to help generate awareness, support, and possibly even new Lions members and supporters in YOUR community.

"Every Lions Club in MD-36 is invited to participate - our Hood River Lions Club is planning to participate!"

JUDITH POAGE, MD-36 COUNCIL CHAIR



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OLSHF will create a KTP Day Media Kit including a sample press release to use in local media to promote your Lions Club and their KTP Day event.

Suggested KTP Day Fundraisers & Activities:

- Service Projects
- Eyeglass Sorting
- Membership Drive
- BBQ Lunch / Dinner
- Food Collection
- Park Cleanup
- Live Music
- What can you dream up?

Elgin Lions Usher for “The Beauty and the Beast”



The Elgin Lions ushered for the production of “The Beauty and the Beast” at the Elgin Opera House. The dress worn by Carly Elder was sewn by PDG Kathy Oliver, who also worked on other costumes for the production.

Posing are lead cast members: Hunter Adams, Carly Elder and Dutch Meerdink.

Elgin Lions Host Basketball Tournament

The Elgin Club hosted a basketball tournament featuring Grant Union, Baker JV’s, La Grande JV’s and Elgin boys and girls’ teams.



(l-r) Lions Gene Hardy, Jared Rogers and Lynn Knapp sell tickets for the tournament.



(l-r) Jan Keil rushes a dish into the coaches’ room with Jim Hallgarth, Darlene Garver, Mike Garver and PCC Steve Oliver tending food for the coaches and drivers.

Money saved will be used for local community projects.

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Elgin Lions Treat Family to Christmas Shopping Bash

The Elgin Lions held their annual Christmas shopping event for a family from the Elgin area. Assisted with a grant from Wal-Mart, the Lions took the Sanchez family for a morning shopping spree of Christmas items.



Following the shopping event, the group collected at McDonalds for a morning breakfast. (l-r) are Sabastian Sanchez, Holly Sanchez, Laila Sanchez, Mary Hopkins, Shana Baker, Denice Murrill and Jan Keil.

(l-r) Sabastian Sanchez, Denice Murrill, Laila Sanchez, Holly Sanchez, Shana Baker, Jan Keil, and PDG Gerald Hopkins.

Elgin Lions Hold Auction

The Elgin Lions tapped into their own resources to showcase a variety of items made by its membership. A table full of “treasures” from cinnamon rolls to benches to a beautiful child’s quilt. They all displayed the talents of the members in the Club, which were auctioned off during the meeting. Guests were also invited to participate in the bidding, following a table of finger foods made by the Lions. A grand total exceeded \$1,800 and the Lions happily collected their goodies to take home for the holidays.



Daryl Hawes offers a wreath up for the highest bidder.



Lions enjoy finger foods made by the members.

all articles submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

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(l-r) President Sharene Nolan, Lion Al Tocchini and Arcena Tocchini.

South Salem Lions Club Presents Al Tocchini With Lion of the Year Award

The South Salem Lions Club spent a recent evening renewing an annual celebration. Fellow Lions and their partners enjoyed a delicious turkey and ham dinner. The holiday get together and White Elephant gift exchange was held at Lion Phil Dietlein's beautiful home on Wednesday, December 14. We had a great time enjoying each other's company!

During the evening President Sharene Nolan awarded Lion Al Tocchini with South Salem Lions Club's Lion of the Year Award.

The Salem newspaper, the Statesman Journal, recently published a front page story featuring Al and his wife Arcena. Capi Lynn, a news columnist for the newspaper, wrote the article with the headline 'These people are selfless.' The retired couple devoted almost every Saturday volunteering cleaning up at many properties that were damaged or destroyed during the 2020 Labor Day wildfires. Al and Arcena donated not only their labor, but time and resources. Al and other South Salem Lions volunteered the day after the fire at the Oregon State Fairgrounds assisting evacuees with their livestock and pets.

In the town of Silverton, the Red Cross needed volunteers to construct sifters at the Silver Creek Fellowship and that is where Al and Arcena joined the volunteers. They still find themselves up the canyon on most Saturdays near Gates volunteering.

Al has many friends that comment about his compassion:

- thank you dear man for all you do to make a difference in this world...
- oh what a guy...
- a heart as big as the earth!

He understands what truly is beauty in this life. A post on Facebook by Al tells the traits he tries to emulate: kindness, helpfulness, generosity and wit.

submitted by Bruce Schnieber