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29th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest A Celebration of Peace 2015-16

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Opportunities for a Better Life Womens Symposium in District R

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ANNIVERSARIES

February 2016 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

Junction City	February 02, 1929
Alvadore Franklin	February 02, 1979
Portland Benthams	February 03, 1954
KF So. Suburban	February 06, 1970
Beavercreek	February 12, 1981
Elkton	February 14, 1951
Astoria	February 16, 1942
Eugene Downtown	February 20, 1924
Carlton Yamhill	February 22, 1965
King City	February 22, 1967
Eugene Bethel	February 23, 1955
Odell	February 24, 1971
Corvallis	February 25, 1925
Sherman County	February 26, 1964
Pacific Sea	February 27, 1978
Illinois Valley	February 27, 1948
Salem South	February 28, 1951



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MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

February

- 10 Patient Care Committee meeting - OLSHF @ noon
- 13 District G Cabinet meeting - Teleconference
- 19 District O Cabinet meeting - Gresham, OR - TBA (prior to start of Convention)
- 25 Finance & Audit meeting - OLSHF @ 10am
Executive Committee meeting - OLSHF @ noon
- 27 District R Cabinet meeting - Albany - Albany Regional Museum, 136 Lyon St. @ 9am
- 29 SOLS&HC Board meeting @ 6pm

March

- 4 OLSHF Trustee meeting - The Dalles - TBA @ 9am
Council of Governors meeting - The Dalles - TBA @ 1pm
- 17 DGE Training - TBA

EVENTS

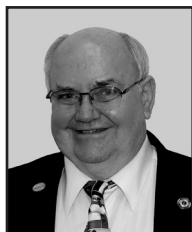
February

- 1 Eyeglass Sorting Party - Keizer - Keizer Lions Hall @ 6pm
- 4-6 NW Lions Leadership Institute - MD19 - Yakima, WA
- 6 District R Conference - Albany - Wheelhouse Events Center
- 10 *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for March issue)
- 18 OLSHF Webinar @ 11am
- 20 District O Convention - Gresham - St. Henry's Church School Gym, 346 NW 1st

March

- 4 District G Convention - The Dalles - Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, 5100 Discovery Dr.
- 10 *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for April issue)

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Wow, can you believe the 2015-2016 Lion year is almost over?

Conventions are coming soon and many of the leadership opportunities have passed. I recommend you begin scheduling your leadership training now; Emerging Lions Leadership and Faculty Development Institute are not yet scheduled for next year. For more information, visit the website: institutes@lionsclubs.org. The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be in Omaha, Nebraska, September 15-17, 2016. You can register by going to the website: registrar@lionsforum.org.

Remember the need for your club to create a "tri-fold display" showing your past projects, current projects and future projects within the LCI Centennial Celebration years, now through June 2018. In order to provide a permanent "Legacy" for your Lions club, Lions International is recommending every Lions club have a "Community Legacy Project" completed by June 30, 2018. During our Centennial Celebration, Lions will no longer be the "best kept secret" in your community. I suggest you begin planning your "Community Legacy Project" now. LCI will have suggestions for projects online and I would be open to hearing what your "Community Legacy Project" will be. Plan now to Celebrate Lions Clubs International's 100th Anniversary.

"When There's a Need, There's a Lion" is our Centennial slogan. Remember to do your community needs assessment to determine the "need", then fulfill the need.

Our Lions clubs have a need and that is more Lions! I congratulate District 36-O for our newest Lion's Club; the Gales Creek Lions Club. Their charter event was January 23, 2016. Please support this new Lions Club by making them feel welcome to the pride. We are more able to "serve" our community with more members. Membership means more people to work on our projects.

When there's a need, there's a Lion"

MD and District Websites

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

MD36: md36lionsclubs.org

District O: www.lionsoforegon.net

District R: www.lionsclubs36r.org

District E: www.districtelions.org

District G: www.oregonlions36g.org

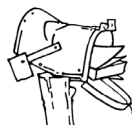
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- 99 Herrington, Robin: Residence phone number should be - 503.335.8115
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The Year in review: A Glance at our Future

Lions VisionGift is thrilled to report that, upon reflection, 2015 turned out to be a wonderful year for the organization. We achieved new benchmarks in several donor and tissue related categories; we made several key additions to our facility and team; and we accomplished all this while delivering unique value to our surgeons and stakeholders which bolsters our name and helps fuel the growth we expect to continue into the New Year.

Success is often first measured by metrics, so it seems like a good place to start for us as well, and by all accounts, 2015 was a bumper year. Our pure and simple donor numbers increased 8.5% over the 2014 data – totaling more than 1735 individuals who gave the gift of sight in 2015. As you might suspect, there was also a corresponding increase in the number of tissues available for transplant and research purposes, swelling nearly 9% to almost 3500 tissues. Perhaps the most impressive areas of growth occurred in the processing department – **Lions VisionGift** often processes tissue for final use in one of three or four varying methods – seeing jumps of 30% in Descemet's Membrane Endothelial Keratoplasty (DMEK) preparation and 52% in halo Sterile Tissue Processing respectively. Even Descemet's Stripping Automated Endothelial Keratoplasty (DSAEK) numbers increased this year – this despite the fact that increasing DMEK and halo processing events 'cannibalize' potential DSAEK processing events.

The increase in our donor numbers and processing capabilities has necessitated the addition of new positions and work-breakdown structures, but also of key staff additions. Seeking to maximize an aspect of **Lions VisionGift's** competitive advantage, we recently hired a new Research and Development Specialist, Dr. Khoa Tran. His many years of research application at OHSU, coupled with a doctorate in cellular function, translate to a massive boost to our already stellar reputation for corneal science and publications. Additionally, we have added multiple positions to several departments this past year increasing the number of Eligibility Specialists and Tissue Distribution Specialists by one each, and adding another full-time Donor Specialist to the daily census. Even Regulatory Affairs and Human Resources added individuals this year to ensure we deliver the same service despite increased flow.

We took steps to improve another aspect of our emerging footprint by renovating our phlebotomy room to support our Autologous Serum Eye Drops (ASED) program by creating a more patient friendly room for blood draws. We've seen the success of our ASED program grow from a few dozen patients to more than 500 in the past three years, and we've had to add an extra day of appointments and hire an additional technician to make sure we're continuing to provide the safest and most effective products we can.

Lions VisionGift is rapidly approaching the point of diminishing growth in our service area. There are very few untapped referral sources like; hospitals, hospice, law enforcement, medical examiners, and skilled nursing facilities that don't already work with us, so it's not like we can create more referrals and donors in our area. We have perfected the techniques of processing thinner and thinner donor grafts, but we can't really get much thinner than where we are now. Halo Sterile Tissues gave us the opportunity to use much more tissue for transplant purposes than we used to, so now we're really maximizing the potential of the gifts we receive. Truthfully, the only way for us to continue the improvements of the past year is to continue growing our staff and facility and ultimately, our service area – which are all exciting opportunities for the coming year.

Another Successful Cornea Transplant

by Roderick Carew

Some of you out there may be able to relate to the fairly unique circumstance of having contact with Lions VisionGift on a personal level, rather than as a Lion. Whether you have been the recipient of a corneal graft which Lions VisionGift has procured or processed, or if you have a connection to the organization as a donor family; there is something about the relationship to the eye bank that changes, just a little bit, when you are touched personally by our work.

I have worked at **Lions VisionGift** for more than eight years, and have experienced just about every facet of our operation. I began as a Donor Specialist – guiding families through the donation process – and bore witness to the remarkable strength and generosity of our donor families. I worked as an Eligibility Specialist with our surgeons which allowed me to gain a real appreciation for how much we are helping patients and the community. For the last four years, I have represented the eye bank to the public and our donation partners across the state, and I have witnessed, first-hand, the power and capabilities of committed medical professionals to improve transplant and donation into the future.

But, even with all those varied experiences, the work we do found a new way to touch me, when my family was involved.

My father has Fuch's Dystrophy – which many of you know is a condition which left unchecked will cause cornea blindness. My father is an independent mining contractor who travels the world helping mines optimize their operations. A typical day on a mine would start around 6:00 am but Dad would have to get up at 2:00 to give his eyes enough time to clear the fluid that had built up. The condition had only been exacerbated in the past year.

As it turns out, my Father (who lives in Reno, NV) was referred to Dr. Jennifer Li at UC Davis in Sacramento. Now, that name may sound familiar to some of you because Dr. Li was a fellow at **Devers Eye Clinic** a couple of years ago under our Medical Director, Dr. Terry. As it turns out, **Lions VisionGift** still process the tissue for all of Dr. Li's DSAEK procedures – which is the preferred treatment for Fuch's

So it came to be that I saw my father's name on the **Lions VisionGift** surgery schedule. Having been in that department before, and knowing the immense quality that resides on our processing team, I couldn't have asked for anything more as a concerned son.

I guess I wanted to share this story with you because it surprised me how even someone who has seen most everything in the eye banking world could gain a new perspective by a personal interaction with our people. My father is doing fantastically; both his transplants have healed well and his vision in each eye has improved to 20/25... from 20/85. My father is terribly British, and in his typically understated manner he recently told me – succinct as you like – that the impact on his life and vision have been, "Astonishing!"

Thank you for helping my father, my family, and... for helping me gain an even greater appreciation for our mission, and for the small role I've played in giving this feeling to other families.



Build Your Lion Legacy!



Connect with your community by planning a **Centennial Community Legacy Project** during our Centennial Celebration. Legacy Projects are visible gifts to your community that commemorate our Centennial and create a lasting legacy of your service contributions.

Plan Your Legacy Project

All Lions clubs around the world are encouraged to complete a Legacy Project by June 30, 2018. With three levels of participation, there's an opportunity for every club to get involved.

Promote Your Legacy Project

Your Legacy Project is an opportunity to showcase your project and club to the community. These tips can help you maximize this great PR opportunity:

- **Dedication Ceremony** – Host a dedication or ribbon-cutting ceremony and invite your community and media to attend.
- **Social Media** – Share your project on social media and ask your community to share photos at the site of your Legacy Project. Use the hashtag #Lions100 on all your Centennial posts.
- **Local Media** – Send out a press release or ask a reporter to help tell your story.

Report Your Legacy Project

Be sure to report your Legacy Project using the MyLCI Service Activity Report, under the *Community and Culture* activity type. Clubs can earn a special banner patch, and select projects will be featured on the LCI website, social media and LION Magazine.



Start Planning Your Legacy Project Today!

Choose from the project ideas below or create your own to address specific needs in your community.

1 level

Raise Your Community Visibility

- Post new Lions signs
- Donate a park bench
- Dedicate a statue
- Sponsor a fountain in a local park



2 level

Provide a Community Gift

- Refurbish a park or playground
- Build a footbridge over a busy road
- Fund resources for the visually impaired
- Donate a vehicle to a community organization



3 level

Make a Community Impact

- Build a clinic
- Expand a library or school
- Develop a training center
- Equip an area hospital



All Legacy Projects should be identified with a sign or plaque indicating the project was donated by your Lions club.

Choose your project and start building your Lion Legacy today!

Visit Lions100.org to learn more.



District O - Northwest - North Coast



District O Governor Column

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This is a great time as we start a new year. We are over halfway through this Lions year and it is time to take measure of where each club is in regard to serving our communities and membership growth. I am both thrilled and excited with the number and variety of service projects that Lions in our District are providing for their communities. We received an emergency disaster grant for the clubs to use on our northern coast in response to the flooding in December. This is very exciting. The clubs in District O support Lions Clubs International Foundation which stands ready to support our local clubs when disaster strikes.

The Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation reports that Lions in Oregon are screening a new record number of students with the highest quality vision screening available anywhere in the world. Both Lions Club International Foundation and the Oregon Sight and Hearing Foundation deserve financial support each year from each Lions club. In District 36-O both of these Foundations stand ready to support our community when there is a need.

I hope that each club in our District makes an effort to send a representative to our District 36-O Convention in Gresham on February 20. This is a great place to meet Lions from around our District and renew friendships for those who have come before. I want to make a point of welcoming new members to Lionism and First Timers to our Convention. If you have never attended a Convention, please come and find out some of the leadership opportunities that Lions can provide. Watch as the OLSHF raises thousands of dollars in the Parade of Checks and have a lot of fun. The price is right, only \$25, and lunch is included.

Everyone keep up the great job of serving your communities and having fun while getting that service accomplished. Look for new possibilities each day!

It Is A Great Day To Be A Lion!

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



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Happy February! What a busy month. First a reminder of important dates coming up this month.

The District Conference will be held on Saturday, February 6. Our guests will be International Director Robert Libin and his wife, Lion Michelle. I am looking forward to the Conference and introducing you to the Libins. I hope you all have made your reservation for the Conference. If you haven't you can still do so. The registration form is available in the December *Oregon Lion* and online on the MD36 website (md36lionsclubs.org) as well as our District R website (lionsclubs36r.org).

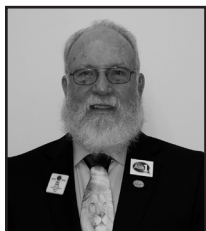
February 27 is the District Cabinet meeting which will be held at the Albany Regional Museum. All of our club officers should try to be there.

One other important date! We are planning a Women's Symposium which will be held on April 30. The location will be the Wheeler Pavilion at the Lane County Fair Grounds in Eugene. The symposium will address a number of topics important to women in today's world. VDG Judy Kauffman and her committee have worked diligently to put together a varied and interesting program.

Second, I want to briefly discuss Lions Clubs online leadership training. Lions University is available on the USA/Canada Forum website. The training is very comprehensive and includes both basic Lions clubs organization and leadership training. There are three degree levels: Bachelors, Master and PhD. I encourage you to take a look, sign up and begin your Lions education. Past District Governor Darrell Scott has already completed his Bachelor degree.

Training for leadership skills is available on the LCI website: lionsclubs.org. The modules are interactive and cover a wide range of basic leadership skills, such as delegation, time management, organization, etc. The training teaches skills that can be used in your Lions club, your job, other organizations to which you belong and in your life. They are worth a look.

District E - Southern - South Coast



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The holidays have passed and it's time to look to the future. I have visited the clubs in 36-E and will be concentrating on membership retention and bringing new members into our Lions organization. We all know that, in order to provide all the wonderful services that Lions can provide in our communities and worldwide, we have to continue to grow our membership. I encourage you to wear the "Ask One" pin while performing your daily activities. This pin can just be the ice-breaker you need to get a conversation started with potential Lions about what Lions do and how with more members we can do so much more service work.

The new Lions Club Handbook is available to all Lions. Thank you USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. This Handbook is an excellent resource for all Lions from the newest members through all the officers of the club. Each club should have several copies and it is available for only \$10.

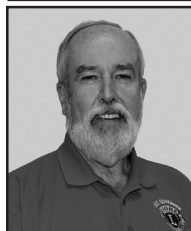
The Northwest Lions Leadership Institute will be providing training for emerging leaders. These training opportunities are excellent and great confidence building experiences. This year's training will take place in Yakima, WA, February 4-6, 2016. Your club may be able to assist you in covering the cost of the training.

This year, the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be in Omaha, NE. This is a great opportunity for excellent training and building friendships with Lions all over the world. The Forum is planned for September 15-17, 2016. If at all possible, plan to attend. The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum for 2017 will be held in Portland, OR. There will not be a better opportunity than this to attend a Forum for a long time. Remember this is also the year Lions turn 100 years old. Plan to attend and help Lions celebrate 100 Years of Service.

District 36-E Convention is scheduled for March 18-19, 2016 in Medford, OR, at the Ramada Medford and Convention Center. All of the Club Secretaries in the Multiple District have registration forms available. Early registration will help us with planning so save the date and plan to attend. This Convention plans to be educational and fun.

Waves of Lionism

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



District G Governor Column

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February is the month denoting the love we all should have for family, our special and close friends and for mankind in general. Let this month be one when we are quick to recognize the love we all have for one another and make the effort to let each other know by word and deed how much we truly care! Dignity, Humanity and Harmony, three simple words that we must keep in mind whenever we accomplish our service projects, whether it be local, District-wide or even global. Allowing each recipient as well as volunteer(s) to have their dignity protected and recognized, humanely delivering assistance to those in need, and everyone working in harmony to care for the least of us will make us all better people in the long run.

In this world of plenty, there is another world of want and necessity. Wanting to be safe, to have sufficient food and to have shelter from danger and the trials of inclement weather are needs that we can fulfill. Basic and essential, each want or need can allow us all too truly achieve what Lions have as their motto – WE SERVE!

The District G Lions Convention is right around the corner. Reserve the first weekend in March (4-5) for your travels to The Dalles and the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center! This will be a time to reflect, to learn and to remember, as Lions from throughout the region come together and celebrate the possibilities that are 'out there' to learn, work and play making us better individually and collectively. We have a fantastic program of activities and opportunities for our newly inducted Lions as well as those unique folk who have experienced every office and/or position imaginable. So – register now to help make it even greater experience for all.

The next several months will become busier – club visitations, conventions in each District, club elections, and even crafting activities that allow our service projects to be successful. What we do can be done better collegially, with many hands to help each of us to go that step further, to assist those in need more efficiently and better, and to make Oregon and District G come closer to that place it can be, the best place on earth to work, live and play! Let us each strive to recruit a new member and assist in building new clubs or renewing our own, to come up with a new twist on activities and service projects and to ensure our communities continue to grow in Lionism.

Tucker and I shall go on down that road, hoping to visit your communities and clubs soon. So – let me know what we can do for you to help make possibilities happen.

You, Me and Diabetes!

Hello Lions and family members.

I would like to apologize for a statement that I made in the January issue, because I stated that if you're physically able to get out and walk you should do so to keep the muscles in your legs from atrophying because when that happens we have a difficult time rising from a sitting position. This, in turn, which causes us to start rocking such as a child on a rocking horse to gain enough momentum to rise. What I forgot to add is there is on the market equipment such as treadmills that accomplish the same results without having to go outside in the elements while at the same time allowing you to watch TV or read a book. This is much more comfortable and you are more likely to keep up the routine. Check with a local fitness center that might be able to help you select the proper equipment and/or set you up on a program. The following is a great article for diabetics. The following is a reprint of information that was provided by Walgreens in a publication called Answers at Walgreens.

The Dash Diet for People with Diabetes

This meal plan has been rated No. 1 four times. Is it right for you?

By Toby Smithson, RDN, LDN, CDE

Have you heard of the DASH diet? DASH stands for Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension. Hypertension is another word for high blood pressure. Health experts in the *U.S. News and World Report* ranked the DASH diet the best overall diet for the last four years. The DASH diet was compared with 20 to 32 of the most popular diets during those years. The expert panel also ranked the DASH diet as the best diet for diabetes.

What is the Dash diet? The DASH diet was developed at the National Institutes of Health in an effort to lower high blood pressure. Researchers of the DASH diet found that eating foods that are high in potassium, calcium and magnesium and lower in sodium can help lower blood pressure. Better still, the DASH diet helps people who already have high blood pressure.

The Dash diet and diabetes: Besides lowering blood pressure, the DASH diet can lower cholesterol and even help lower fasting blood glucose and A1C levels in people with type 2 diabetes. Also, the DASH diet is easily adjusted for weight loss. The main benefit of the DASH diet for people with diabetes, however, is its ability to reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke.

What else do you need to know about the Dash diet? While whole grains, fruit, milk and yogurt, starchy vegetables and beans are healthy, they also contain carbohydrates. Therefore, it's important to plan your DASH diet with your diabetes menu in mind. Your dietitian can help make sure you get the right amount of carbohydrates while following the DASH eating plan. You can reap the benefits of the best diet for high blood pressure and diabetes at the same time.

According to the American Diabetes Association, "Two-out-of-three people with diabetes have high blood pressure, or take a blood pressure medicine."

2 Reasons People with Diabetes Need to Be Aware Of Blood Pressure Numbers

1. High blood pressure is two times as common among people with diabetes as it is among people without diabetes.
2. High blood pressure can lead to the same problems that result when diabetes is not controlled: heart attack, stroke and kidney failure if you have both diabetes and high blood pressure, it's very important to manage both conditions.

Foods That Are Part of the Dash Diet	
FOOD	SERVINGS
whole grains	6-8 daily
fruit and vegetables	4-5 daily
low-fat dairy	2-3 daily
nuts, seeds or beans	4-5 per week
lean meat, poultry or fish	6 ounces per meal
sweets or added sugar	5 or fewer per week

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue!

Charlie Tate, Chairman Diabetes Committee

Keno Lions Sponsors the Elementary Winter Program

Keno Lions sponsored a “roller skating” Santa for the Keno Elementary Winter Program as well as a winter coloring contest for Grades K-6. Gift cards were given to the grade winners and the overall school winners. Approximately 500 candy canes were handed out.



Lion Ida Price as Santa's elf



Some of the winning Christmas Cards

Keno Lions also handed out 23 Christmas food baskets to the community. The baskets consisted of canned vegetables, fruit, juice, popcorn, hot chocolate, coffee, hot and cold cereal, pies, toppings, fresh oranges and apples, fresh potatoes, candy, ham and the makings for a green bean casserole.

submitted by Kathleen Kite

Elgin Blackout Bingo



Bingo Chairperson Lion Susan McClary presented James with his winnings of \$179

James Johnston was the recent winner of the Elgin Lions Blackout Bingo.

submitted by Gerald Hopkins

Island City Remains Busy with Projects

The Island City Lions Club continued to be busy through the end of the year. October was eye screening of all the students at Island City School with Lions volunteers and with Dr. Spencer Luke and Dr. Dan Beckner of Apple Eye Care.

In November, the Club delivered 8 food baskets to families for Thanksgiving while in December the Island City School students collected canned food which helped make food boxes for 10 families for Christmas. Lions Chris Haefer, John and Ruth Stebbins, Melissa and Monita Woollard, Dee Weatherford, and Sheila Evans delivered the boxes.

The Island City Lions Club voted up to \$1,500 from the Club to go with donations from Apple Eye Care and Grocery Outlet for 28 children's presents for Christmas. The year ended with the Club's Christmas Party at the Cock and Bull Restaurant celebrating the Club's achievements. There was a White Elephant Exchange.

The Island City Lions spent \$3,300 on glasses for those in need. Hog Wild Days funds are used for Island City's community projects. The next money-making project will be to help with the Gun Show at the end of February.

submitted by Lion Glenna Sams

For The Women Amongst Us



Lady Lions, take out your calendars and mark off Saturday, April 30. That’s the day District 36 R will be holding its first ever symposium devoted to women’s issues. Under the leadership of Vice District Governor Lion Judy Kauffman, a planning team has organized a terrific day of sessions focusing on issues of interest to women, ages 35-65, as well as to young mothers in today’s society. The impetus for the symposium was Lions Clubs International’s increasing emphasis on women and families.

With the goals of inspiring women to address issues and seek solutions for a healthier lifestyle and to raise awareness of women in Lions and their value in their communities, this one-day event will be held in the Wheeler Pavilion at the Lane Events Center in Eugene, OR. Kicking off the day’s events will be PID Sunny Pulley followed by Keynote Speaker noted author and columnist Bob Welch. Following a luncheon buffet and a motivational speaker will be an afternoon of panel sessions on topics including Women’s Health and Fitness,

Alzheimer’s, Family and Aging, and Stress Reduction.

In addition to information from the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation about several of its programs including Patient Care, LEAP, Mission Cataract and School Screening, 12 different vendors will provide information and resources related to the symposium theme of *Opportunities for a Better Life*.

The planning committee will be contacting Lions clubs in the District regarding sponsorship possibilities from their communities.

submitted by Lion Judith Grosenick

Rockaway Lions Provide 54 Christmas Baskets to Families in Need

Despite the flooding, blowing wind and torrential downpour, we were able to provide 54 baskets to families in need and also to some families who had flooded homes. Our Clubhouse lost a lot of food from our pantry that was flooded, but thanks to Lion Christine Hayes and many other Lions we were able to put on a chili feed at which people donated food items and money for the many others in our town who were flooded and lost a lot during the week of flooding. We were able to replenish our food loss and also raise money to help our community. We also received help from Lions International. This was a week of busy Lions working together to help others.



Ready to get start stuffing baskets



Donated produce

submitted by Gloria Tarnasky

McMinnville Lions Christmas Tree Sales Set New Records

The McMinnville Oregon Lions Club has been selling Christmas trees for most of its 75-year history. In the old days we paid 25 cents per tree and cut them ourselves. In a good year we raised one or two thousand dollars.

As we have always done, we set up our lot on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and started selling trees. We continued to sell trees seven days a week until we ran out of trees. This year we sold fewer than 1,000 trees and closed the lot a week early because we had run our supplier out of trees.



Sadie Best - Lion Tiffany Bests’ daughter.
A Lion in training

With a current roster of just 34 members, there was plenty of work for all. Counting set-up time, work schedules and clean-up we estimated that over 550 person hours were needed and that did not count the committee’s work prior to during and after the sale.

This year’s gross sales approached \$30,000 and Co-chairman Lion Todd Caster presented the Club with a check for \$16,000 for 2015 sales.



Lions (l-r) Scott Gibson, Wayne Harris and Sam Justice

While we were blessed with some free trees from a major grower, we now purchase most of our inventory. A prominent local car dealer cleared his car display and donated his prime comer lot for our sale.



Co-Chairs Lions Bill Nourse and Todd Caster

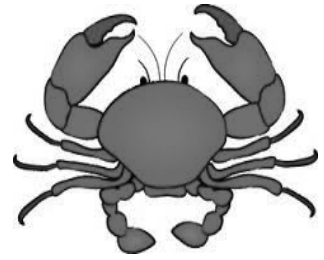
submitted by Lion Bill Nourse

The Lions Crab Feed in Beautiful Halfway, Oregon

The 50th Annual Halfway Crab Feed will be held March 12. All you can consume fresh Dungeness crab and beer with all the fixings will be served from 11am to 10pm at the Halfway Lions Hall. Proceeds fund our food bank, children's eye care, scholarships and more.

Our full service little town sits at the southern foot of the wild Wallowa Mountains, near Hells Canyon, the Snake River and Brownlee Reservoir. Some of the finest vistas and fishing in Oregon are here. Motel, bed and breakfast and RV reservations can be made in Halfway and Baker City.

For more information you can call President Dick Crow at 541-742-6192 or Steve White for fishing information at 541-742-5816.

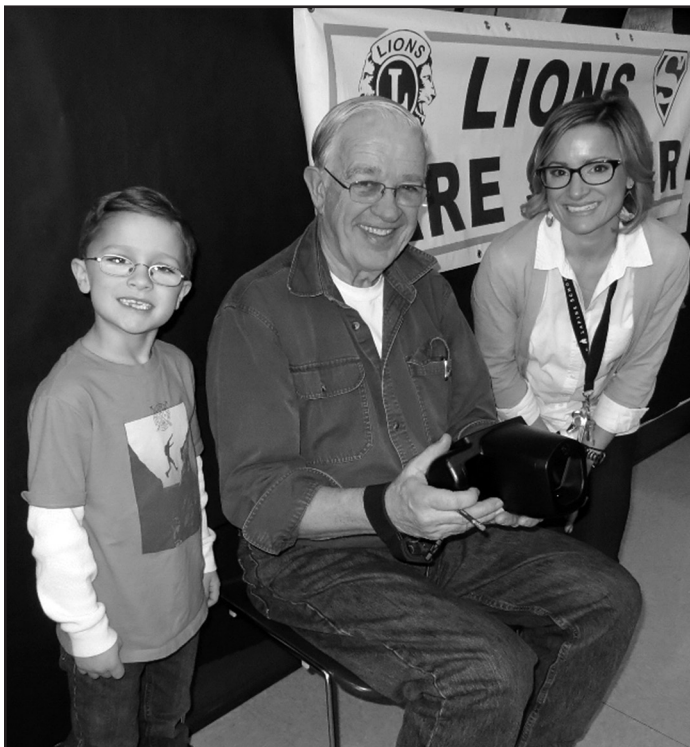


submitted by Steve White

Lions Vision Screening Allows Student to See Pine Needles for the First Time

"Oh, you're back again this year; you changed my son's life last year through your vision screening" stated Katy Colt, a parent from High Lakes Elementary School in Bend.

"You screened my son Brennan last year when he was in kindergarten. We had no idea he was having vision problems. After your referral we discovered his vision was four times out of normal for his age. We got him glasses and he had much more success in kindergarten and now is doing great in first grade."



1st Grader Brennan Colt of High Lakes Elementary School in Bend is all smiles along with his mother Katy Colt and supervision screener PDG Richard Smith from the Three Sisters Lions Club after learning his glasses are doing great and there will be no referral this year.

"The first thing Brennan told me after he received his glasses was, 'Mom, now I can see the pine needles on the trees'", said Katy.

Both Katy and Colt were all smiles when posing for a picture and also finding out there was no referral this year with his glasses.

"Stories like this make it all worthwhile to drive through ice and snow at 5:30 am to get to the over 25 vision screenings for the Bend – La Pine School District this year," stated Central Oregon Vision Screening Coordinator Ted Carlin.

Lion Ted and his enthusiastic group of Lion volunteers from the Crooked River Ranch Lions, Three Sisters Lions, La Pine Lions, Bend Lions, Prineville Lions, Burns Lions and the Sherman County Lions will do vision screenings from the Warm Springs Reservation to Burns with many stops in between. They will end up screening over 11,000 students with an average referral rate of 9% or over 900 students possibly improving their success rate in school like Brennan.

submitted by Ted Carlin

One Form Per Person

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**CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM
DISTRICT 36-G
MARCH 4-5, 2016**

Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
5100 Discovery Drive
The Dalles, OR 97058

Convention Theme "Possibilities Everywhere"

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Badge Name _____
Please Print If Different from 1st Name

Mailing Address _____
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Important if need to contact

Lion _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Guest _____ 1st Time Attendee _____ New Member _____ District O _____ R _____ E _____ G _____
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Lions Club Name _____ District Other than in MD36 _____

Current Elected Office _____ PID _____ PCC _____ PDG _____

HOSPITALITY BOOK Includes Registration \$100.00 \$ _____
And All Meals (After February 25, 2016) \$125.00 \$ _____

NO MEAL TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON SITE!

REGISTRATION FEE ONLY: (All Attendees must register) \$ 25.00 \$ _____

The meals at this convention will be: Friday Dinner, Saturday Lunch & Saturday Banquet

Individual Options: Please note that if you are planning on only coming for a single meal, the registration fee is not required. However, the registration fee is required if a voting delegate.

Individual Meal Costs:	Friday Dinner	\$25.00
	Saturday Lunch	\$20.00
	Saturday Banquet	\$30.00

Total Individual Meals \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED \$ _____

Saturday Dinner Entrée Choice: Prime Rib _____ Halibut _____
Special Needs: Vegetarian _____ Diabetic _____ Other _____

REFUNDS: None prior to the convention. Request refunds in writing to Lion Ross Cain. PO Box 235, The Dalles, OR 97058. A \$25.00 handling fee will be deducted from all refunds. Requests must be received no later than March 31, 2016.

Convention Dress: Casual except for banquets. Fri. District Dinner: Sport Coat/Dressy. Sat. Banquet: Dressy

HOW TO REGISTER: Please type or print all information on this form. **Only one person per form, please.** Attach additional forms and check(s) made payable to : **DISTRICT 36G CONVENTION**

SEND TO: Lion Kris Harmon, Registrar
PO Box 235
The Dalles, OR 97058 email: thedalleslions@gmail.com

QUESTIONS: Contact Lion Timothy McGlothlin - 541-980-4051 or timothymcglothlin@gmail.com

OREGON LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION



Carleene Iverson

Chair

Please Help Us “Keep the Promise”

As Chair of your Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, I'm so proud of the sight and hearing saving programs that OLSHF offers to people in need in all of our communities throughout MD-36. As a Lion in MD-36, I hope that you're proud of Foundation services also and will consider supporting our upcoming Keep the Promise fundraising campaign.

Your support of the Keep the Promise campaign enables the Foundation to continue to keep the promise that Lions made to Helen Keller back in 1925 of addressing preventable blindness and hearing loss. Contributions will help OLSHF screen over 150,000 children for vision health issues this year, enable adults and children receive new eyeglasses and hearing aids, provide surgery and treatment for those lacking resources for vision-saving surgery and treatment, and makes it possible for thousands and thousands of used eyeglasses to be dispensed to people in need around the world.

Making a contribution is easy! One way to do so is to attend one of our Keep the Promise events taking place around the state:

Eugene	April 13th
Portland	May 5th
Klamath Falls	May 19th
Ashland	June 2nd (new in 2016!)
Hood River	June 25th (new in 2016!)

We're still looking for volunteers and Table Hosts to help make these great events successful and could use your help. Feel free to contact Allison at Allison@OLSHF.org at the Foundation to find out how you can donate your time and energy to help keep the promise.

The Keep the Promise Campaign runs from April through June and our fundraising goal for this year's KTP Campaign is \$150,000. Every dollar helps and we are asking you to make a contribution to our Lions programs! If you'd like to make a one time donation or learn how to join our PRIDE monthly recurring gift program please contact Nicole at Nick@OLSHF.org or call 800.635.4667.

Thank you for helping us Keep the Promise!



Doug Thompson

Executive Director

Happy LEAP Year!

As I'm sure you know, 2016 is a Leap Year, meaning that February 29th - Leap Day - is added to the calendar to provide a 366th day of the year. This occurs every four years in order to keep our calendar in alignment with the Earth's revolutions around the Sun (Thank goodness for Google!).

Here at the Foundation, our new Lions Eyeglass Assistance Program means that EVERY day is LEAP Day. That's right, every day our LEAP Optical Lab staff work with Lions Clubs around MD-36 and their vision providers to make new, low-cost eyeglasses. Our line of eye wear is high-quality and made to the exact specifications of the people in need that are sponsored by their local Lions Club.

In less than one year we have added Lions Clubs in every District to our LEAP Network. Lions Clubs in District G are **Bend-Sunrise, Crooked River Ranch, Madras, Pendleton and Weston-McEwen**; District E Lions Clubs are **Lakeview, Roseburg and Sutherlin**; District R Lions Clubs are **Central, Dallas, Newport, Pacific Sea, Waldport, and Yachats**; District O Lions Clubs include **Beavercreek, Cedar Hills-Sunset, Gresham Breakfast, Gresham Supper, Milwaukie, Portland Downtown, Portland Legacy, St. Helens, Troutdale, Tualatin, and Woodburn**.

Don't see your Lions Club on the list? Join us for this month's LEAP Lab webinar - see Page 18 for details - and learn how you can join our LEAP Network and likely save money every time you help a person in need with new eyeglasses.

We hope you'll join us on Feb. 29th - and Happy LEAP Year!

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LEAP OPTICAL LAB IS TURNING ONE!

Please join your OLSHF for our next webinar, an update on our LEAP Optical Lab, scheduled to take place this coming **Leap Day - Feb. 29th at 11 AM!**

We will share what we've accomplished over this past year including providing hundreds of pairs of eyeglasses to adults and children in need, providing hundreds of new eyeglasses for the 2015 MD-36 Mission Trip, and what we plan to accomplish over this coming year!



MOBILE HEALTH SCREENINGS - SCHOOL EVENTS

The Spot device makes our vision screening efficient. It is the reason why we can screen so many students each year. In less than three years, we've transformed vision screening in Oregon!

"Thank you and all the wonderful volunteers from The Lions Club. You took us from the stone age of the eye charts to awesome technology that is accurate and lightening fast. We appreciate all of your time and attention you devote to the Corvallis School District. It has been great to work with you this year again. We are so lucky to have you."

—Patricia Pokrzywa, District Nurse



OLSHF IS UPGRADING OUR PHONE RECEPTION

One of the Foundation's top priorities for our Lion constituents is accessibility when you call or email with inquiries. To increase our accessibility, OLSHF has made some changes to our front desk phone reception.

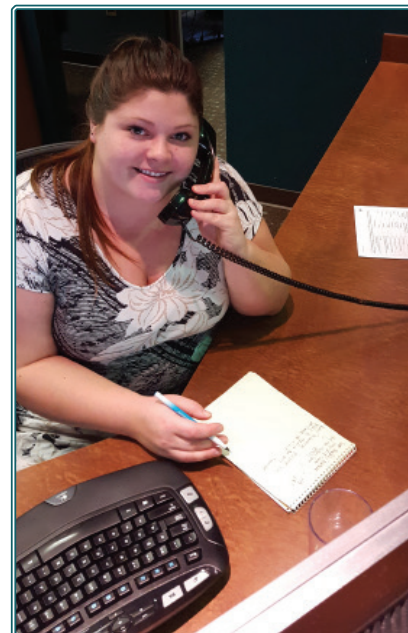
Now, when you call, you will hear an automated message. Please don't worry, to easily bypass the message, please press "0" to reach the welcoming voice of our Office Administrator Tiffany.

Over fifty percent of the calls OLSHF receives are from peo-

ple throughout the state seeking sight or hearing assistance from a Lions Club.

When someone calls for help, Tiffany directs the caller to our Lions In Service Referral System (971-270-0203) to connect them with local Lions Clubs. The constant flow of these incoming calls makes it challenging for our staff to efficiently receive your calls!

We hope that this change in protocol won't cause any inconvenience, so please let us know if you have any feedback. Thank you!



KEX KIDS FUND HELPS STUDENTS WITH EYEGLASSES STATEWIDE!

"Luis, a new student who desperately needed glasses received help thanks to Kim Bartholomew, School District Nurse, Dr. Remy J. Delplanche OD, the KEX Kids Fund Program and OLSHF's LEAP Optical Finishing Lab. Together the partners provided glasses and Luis returned to class where he belongs! Luis is my homeroom student! Thank you to EVERYONE who has given this little guy the support and resources he desperately needs."



--Dustin Clark, 2nd grade teacher

"E. F. came to show off his glasses today and I have never seen him look happier! He was telling me about the drastic improvement with his vision and how easy it is for him to see and learn in class. Every teacher, secretary and counselor that sees E. F. in the hallway is absolutely ecstatic for him! Thank you once again for helping this young boy get the glasses he so desperately needed!"

--Susie Sorokina, RN

"In my large classes with 30-40 students and so many needing to sit in the front for a multitude of reasons, there was no more front seating and many students who wanted to sit closer could not. I have noticed at least 6 students squinting hard to try to see the

overhead and others just shut down because they can't see and give up. One student who received glasses through your program is now a shining scholar in class! Thank you so much for your support of children and education. You make a difference!"

--Diane Appert, Math Coordinator



"Mom gave OK to share their story. She is extremely grateful for the glasses. Thank goodness you guys were so fast in responding otherwise Jessica would be living out of state without glasses and who knows if she would have gotten help. Mom says Jessica loved her glasses and wore them all day from the get go. Mom said that she has noticed that Jordan now sits around 15 feet away from the TV in his cousins house when before he would be 2-3 feet in front to make out the image. I know that once he gets the routine down and wears his glasses to school we will see improvement in his academics as well. I hope this helps. As their teacher I am extremely grateful."

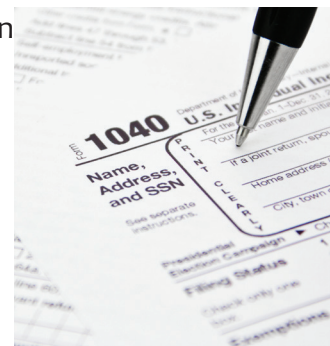
--Kate Nead, Learning Specialist

DONATE TO OLSHF THROUGH CHARITABLE CHECK-OFF

Through Charitable Check-off you can make it easy to fulfill New Year's resolution AND change a life in the process! Designate all—or even a portion— of your 2015 Oregon State Tax Refund to the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

It's as Easy as 1-2-3

1. Complete your 2015 Oregon State Income Tax Return.
2. Receiving a refund? Consider investing it in an OLSHF Program where every single dollar is leveraged into over \$5 of direct, life changing service.
3. Look for the Charitable Check-off section on your return and check #14 under the "other charity" code. If you are filing electronically, select or enter Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.



The Charitable Check-off program is an important way we can meet vital community needs and your support helps us make a difference every day statewide. Please consider donating through the Charitable Check-off program this tax season or consider making a secure, recurring monthly gift. Call (503) 413-7399 to learn how!

Elgin Superintendent Addresses Lions

Dianne Greif, Superintendent of the Elgin School District, addressed three issues to the members of the Elgin Lions Club before having to leave for a board meeting.

"One of the issues that we are working together as a county is that of school safety," Dianne said, "and it is nice to work with the other superintendents and share ideas and resources." Dianne told the group that the FBI will be involved in formulating county-wide safety protocol. "If our kids are attending events at another county school and there is a safety issue, then they will go through the same response that we have in our school." The superintendent said that another issue being addressed will be that of bullying. "It's nice to be working with various resources available through the committee. Specialists will be working with our playground personal to address the issues."

Another goal of the county-wide school committee is to work on similar curriculum. The committee of superintendents will focus on curriculum at the 7-12 grade levels. "In that way," Greif said, "if a student transfers schools within the county, they will be working on the same page. It really is exciting to work with the other superintendents."

The Superintendent was very excited to share the various grants received by the Elgin School District. "One of the grants we just received was for \$378,000, which will be used to revitalize our agricultural program. One of the first things we want to do is to add on to the agricultural building with shop space and develop our agricultural science lab with classes as demanding as our science program. The shop space will increase about one-third more to the area we have now." Dianne noted that another grant of \$9,600 will provide funding for a second greenhouse.

The school has also received notification of an \$80,000 construction grant allowing students to build a house within the community. "The winter months are used for inside construction such as wiring and cupboards. It probably won't be completed until next year, and then we plan to sell the structure and use funding to start another home." Greif said that part of the state goal is to have the 20% of students not going on to college to learn a trade and slide into the work force.

Dianne was excited that a \$75,000 grant was received to revitalize the kitchen area. "We just added a new 1,000 pound stove for the kitchen which has ten burners. It was difficult to move, but in our community just make a call and people come to help. We also plan to receive a new commercial steamer and cafeteria style mixer."



This Lion is Really Young

Tagged as the newest, and definitely youngest Lion by the Elgin Lions, three week old Holly, was introduced to the Club. Holly's parents, Jessica Rupert and Marcus Green, were honored by an event dubbed "The baby needs a shower," and Lion Jessica opened gifts from Club members for the new baby. Jessica commented that she enjoys working with the Lions and the new baby will definitely be a part of the Lions program.

According to many of the members, Holly is already accepted into the Club as a Lion. However, it may be a few years before she can take on the responsibility of "serving others." Meanwhile, Jessica and Marcus admit they will both be very busy serving Holly.



Jessica and Marcus with daughter Holly



Mom Jessica and baby Holly

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Reminding You Of An Option For Receiving *The Oregon Lion Magazine*

To: Lions of Multiple District 36
From: MD 36 Communications Committee
Re: ***The Oregon Lion*** and Budget Implications

The 2014-15 Council of Governors adopted the recommendations from the Communications Committee regarding ***The Oregon Lion*** magazine and its impact on the MD 36 Budget. With the continued loss of membership as well as escalating costs for print media, it was decided to eliminate three (3) of the eleven (11) printed issues of the magazine, saving approximately \$2,460 per issue. The net income from District Conference/Convention advertising as well as from Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation and Oregon Lions VisionGift comes to approximately \$10,700, while the costs for printing and mailing the eleven (11) issues of the magazine is budgeted at \$26,620. The 2014-15 budget predicted a shortfall of \$4,555. Elimination of the three (3) issues allowed savings of \$7,260, which gave the ability to add back some \$3,205 to be used for programs. The issues eliminated are October, March and June. The months of July/August, September, November, December, January, February, April and May are still being published. All eleven (11) issues are available on the MD 36 website by the 5th of each month.

The Communications Committee also recommended that those willing to receive ***The Oregon Lion*** issues via the Website or via electronic means have the ability to indicate so by a check-off method. For each person so choosing, there will be a savings to the MD of \$0.61 per issue, which could be added to overall programs as ***The Oregon Lion*** printing and mailing budget would be thus reduced. Additionally, this check-off is being published in the magazine for several issues.

For those of you receiving the electronic version, your issue will not be sent in the form of an email. You will need to go to the website: md36lionsclubs.org and click on the list on the left that reads: **THE OREGON LION MAGAZINE ARCHIVES**. Look for the current month issue.

The check-off options are as stated below:

I, _____ do hereby ask that I receive ***The Oregon Lion*** via electronic means on the Lions website.

Club Name: _____

I, _____ do not wish to receive ***The Oregon Lion*** via electronics, but instead wish to continue with a paper copy sent to my home address.

Please send your option to: MD36 Headquarters Office, 1075 Washington Street, Suite #212, Eugene, OR 97401 or by email to: md36lions@comcast.net

Profile of Elgin Lion Everett Grandeen

Elgin Lions Club member Everett Grandeen epitomizes community service. He has been a Lion for four years and currently serves as Vice-President of the Club. Everett has supported various projects including ushering at the Opera House, setting up for Lions Bingo, Christmas shopping for students, helping construct the car for the play *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, selling fireworks for the Club and more. He has also been a volunteer at the Grande Ronde Hospital, helped with the Little League Baseball program, been a scout leader and more recently, became a board member for the Elgin Museum and Historical Society.



Everett Grandeen

Born in Red Bluff, California, Lion Everett graduated from Corning California High School. Fresh out of high school, he started logging in California. In 1966, Everett moved to Elgin where he continued with logging operations in the area. Lion Everett said, "I like the winters here. Logging was a major industry." After an eight year stint in Oregon logging, Everett went to work for Eddy's Bread for the next 25 years. He then transferred to the Franz Bread Company for another eight years. "I used to rodeo, too," he said, "so I got attached to feeding cows as well." Now ranching is a big part of Everett's life.

When asked about joining the Elgin Lions Club, Everett responded that Steve Oliver used to "bug" his wife, Diane, while she was teaching. So he decided to join. "I just like helping people in my community. It seems that we are working more together and becoming a little more sophisticated over time."

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Elgin Lions Assist with City Requests

According to City Manager, Brock Eckstein, the City of Elgin receives many requests for assistance during the winter months. Brock, who is also a member of the Lions, discussed the situation with President Bob Thomas and the Lions have set in place a system for those who need help. "If we have an elderly individual needing assistance with snow removal or other needs, we'll have a list at City Hall of Lion volunteers who would be able to help," Lion Brock stated. Lion Bob also sent a survey to the businesses asking what assistance might be needed. The Lions will evaluate those requests and determine what areas might be addressed.

Keith Warren, Sight and Hearing Chairman, reported that the year has just started and there are already three requests for glasses. "We're off to a good year," he added.

Lion Elma Jean Wilhelm has been coordinating needs of the Elgin Community Center. She related to the Club that there is a need for large tables at the Center. Lion Elma will continue to shop for the best prices and provide information on the best sources for the Club.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

29th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

A Celebration of Peace



Sponsor a Lions International Peace Poster Contest and join clubs worldwide in sharing children's visions of peace with your community.

How the Contest Works

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on November 15, 2016. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "A Celebration of Peace."

One winner for each contest sponsored by a club is chosen to advance to the district governor for judging. On the district level, one winner is selected to go on to the multiple district competition and from there one winner is forwarded to International Headquarters for the final judging. Entries are judged at all levels on originality, artistic merit and portrayal of theme.

During the final judging, 23 merit award winners and one grand prize winner are chosen to represent the many entries submitted from around the world.

Awards

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

- **International Grand Prize Winner** receives a trip to an award ceremony where he/she will receive a cash award of US\$5,000 (or local equivalent) and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winner's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony.
- **23 Merit Award Winners** each receive a cash award of US\$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement.

How to Enter

Lions clubs must order a Peace Poster Contest kit from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Available in all 11 official languages, it costs US\$11.95, plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one* school or organized, sponsored youth group:

- **Official Club Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Participant Flyer** may be duplicated and given to each participating student to take home
- **Sticker** to place on back of winning poster
- **Certificates** for contest winner and school or youth group

**Clubs can sponsor more than one contest in either the same or multiple school(s) and/or youth group(s) by purchasing more than one kit. Clubs will send one poster per each contest sponsored to the next level of judging.*

The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is also included in this kit and on the LCI website.

Kits are available January 15 – October 1, 2016.

Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.



To order Peace Poster Contest kits (PPK 1), submit this form to the Club Supplies Sales Department at Lions Clubs International at clubsupplies@lionsclubs.org; call (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only) or fax this form to (630) 571-0964. Note: All credit card orders must be placed online.

Visit www.lionsclubs.org [search: Peace Poster]. For more contest information, deadlines, to download a video and view past finalists' posters.

Peace Poster Contest Kit (PPK-1) _____ Qty. @ US\$11.95/each \$ _____

Language Required _____ Tax \$ _____

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Overseas - Postage/handling charges will be added at the time of processing your order. Duty/taxes may be required upon receipt of your order. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for payment of these duties or taxes.

Sales Tax:

We are obligated to charge sales tax in Illinois and Canada.

A Great Day to be a Lion Every Day



District Governor Hank Calhoun invites you to join him in welcoming International Director Dr. Robert Littlefield and his wife Kathy from Fargo, ND

DISTRICT 0 CONVENTION

February 20, 2016

**Doors Open at 8:00 am for
Registration & Credentials
St Henry's Church
School Gymnasium
346 NW 1st St—Gresham 97030**



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**We will be collecting peanut butter,
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—please bring your favorite brands!**