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# Happy 2020 Everyone!

Remember that January is Hunger Awareness Month

# Portland Hollywood Lions Have a Busy Fall



Collecting eyeglasses at Hollywood Farmers Market. (I-r) Melinda Palmer, Deidra Youngerman, Arlene Halvorson, Sandy Woolverton and Ashley Villarama

Elgin Lions Hold Annual Shopping for Deserving Students



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# ANNIVERSARIES

January 2020 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.

#### January

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

#### February

February 20, 1924
February 25, 1925
February 2, 1929
February 16, 1942
February 27, 1948
February 14, 1951
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February 3, 1954
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# **MONTHLY CALENDARS**

# MEETINGS

#### January

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

#### February

- 8 District R Convention CH2M Bldg., Corvallis Speaker: ID Steve Thornton from Ohio
- 13 OLSHF Patient Care Comm. mtg.
- 15 District R Cabinet mtg. 9-12, Sizzler Steakhouse 1010 Postal Way, Springfield, OR
- 24 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ 5:30pm
- 28 District O Cabinet mtg. 1-4 at Embassy Suites, 20001 NW Tanasbourne Dr., Hillsboro, OR
- 29 District O Convention, Embassy Suites,20001 NW Tanasbourne Dr., Hillsboro, OR

# **EVENTS**

#### January

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

#### February

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



# **Council Chair News**



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# **Creating Harmony Through Service**

Deadlines! I have to confess that finding the time to write this column while in the middle of the busiest time of the Lions service year is a bit of a challenge. Our garage is full of the heavenly scent of dozens of Christmas greens for the Lake Oswego Lions holiday fundraiser for the club community service account. Our bonus room is full of food and practical items donated, purchased and waiting to be packaged to help several families who need our help this season.

So, I have decided to share some of the most meaningful writings that I've recently read in explanation of why we as Lions work to help others in our communities.

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any kindness that I can show, or any burden that I can lift, let me do it now, let me not withhold or defer it, for I shall not pass this way again." Attributed to *Stephen Grellet* 

"What are we going to do with our lives, with these wild and precious lives? Will we give our lives to causes and ventures worthy of us, or will we squander them on fleeting fancies and unbridled furies? Tell me, what is it we plan to do with our one wild and precious life?" *Phillip Gulley* 

"What is kindness? It is all the things Lions do: It's serving in our communities and beyond. But kindness is one of those words that can get overused, and the real meaning sometimes becomes lost. Kindness is any act that makes life better for any living thing, even for just a moment. Isn't that what we're really doing when we serve food or donate our time? Aren't we trying to give people a moment in which they feel important, a moment in which they are not alone? Kindness can be something small ... or it can be grand... When done right, an act of kindness feels good to the person performing it." *International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi* 

Now that our Lions year has moved into the second half, convention season will begin very soon. District R will gather in Corvallis on Saturday, February 8. District O will share fellowship and information on Saturday, February 29 in Hillsboro. Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21 will bring the District E Convention, to be held in Grants Pass. District G will gather on Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25 in La Pine (held a bit late in order to avoid weather complications). Our MD 36 Convention will be held in Canyonville at the Seven Feathers Casino Convention Center, beginning on Thursday, May 14 with the OLSHF and Council of Governors meetings and continuing to the convention events on Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16. Look for the registration forms for these Lions learning and social events to appear in this and in coming issues of the Oregon Lion.

We're Lions and WE SERVE!

# **Directory Corrections**

- p. 51 Pendleton Lions Club has new secretary: Randee Bronson, 1103
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- p. 86 Casciato, Carol has new email of casey1247@gmail.com

#### District O - Northwest - North Coast



#### **District O Governor Column** Terry Bowman

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Ahh, the joy of visiting clubs is definitely the reason to be a district governor. I am always surprised how different each club is, yet they all are the best in their community and full of joy, love and service. Our vision for our district is simple, we will grow our service and build our membership. Let us all look into our future and envision many more eagerly engaged lions. Picture in your mind what we will be able accomplish and enjoy with all these new Lions. Many new hands make for lighter work. Are we inspired? YES, let's just do it.

I have shared some "AHA" stories, the time that you really knew you were a Lion. You have given back to me some stories that made your heart swell with pride when someone thanked you for a special service or even changed a whole life. Please, write down your special moment and send it to me. Please. I have room in my folder for "your AHA moment". We will display them at the February 29 convention for District O. Maybe we can win the "Guiding Lamp" award.

Thank you all, for we are Lions on the move.

Terry Bowman, District Governor 'O'

#### District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coas



District R Governor Column Steve Moser

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My Fellow Lions, Wow!!! It's hard to believe that half of this Lions year is over. And I hope that everyone has recovered from the holidays. As I finish my club visits, we now begin convention season. First, is our District R Convention in Corvallis on February 8 at the CH@M Hill building on the OSU campus. Hope to see you there. Our speaker will be International Director Steve Thornton and his wife Becky from Wooster Ohio. May 14-16 brings us to our MD 36 State Convention at 7 Feathers in Canyonville. The Convention speaker will be Dr. Robert Littlefield and his wife Kathy. Both locations have room blocks for Lions so if you are planning to attend and spend the night, make your reservations. Also don't forget your "AHA moment" of becoming a Lion and send them in to the DGs so we can pick our winner and pass it on the state convention where the overall winner will be decided and the Guiding lamp will be awarded.

January is Hunger Awareness month. **Please don't forget about your local Food Banks.** After the holiday they are often forgotten as everyone gets busy thinking about spring and summer activities ahead.

As we are working on our final events of the year, **please remember to consider a club donation in support of LCIF.** Campaign 100 is just half over in their efforts to raise 300 million dollars. As a result of this campaign, there will be many grants available all the time. Have your club work on a project, check the website and apply for a grant. We (MD 36R, Central Lions Club and Central SD 13J) are just getting ready to wrap up the \$10,500.00 E-Prep Grant we got. Watch for a story about this.

We continue to do our school screening events it's exciting to think that we in District R are on track to check over 50,000 children in our district. And statewide we hope to check over 200,000 children this year. As always, we need your help and support for this wonderful activity state wide.

And Remember Have Fun. DG Steve

#### District E - Southern - South Coast



#### District E Governor Column Bob Chaney

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Here we are in 2020 already. I trust that everyone had a very enjoyable holiday season and have already made their resolutions for this New Year.

As for our numbers, I know we are down again and it appears that after a long struggle to maintain and rebuild Cave Junction we are finally on the upswing.

This month we cross the halfway point of this journey and as I have talked with my fellow District Governors it feels like we just got started although I do have a leg up with this being my second time around.

I have said since my first term, along with others, that this process ought to be a two-year process and then immediately said, "Hey stupid, that would be another full year of commitment." Silly me. All kidding aside, I do believe that it should be a two-year term, because you are just getting into the flow of things as it comes to an end. You really don't have the time to implement any of the programs or revisit any of the clubs and take part in all of these great events and fundraisers you have heard about during your visits. I guess that will just have to be done as a PDG but it doesn't carry the same weight as doing so as district governor.

Clubs are aware that you as DG have to make an official visit and some of them feel that is the only reason they ever see the DG or DG Team. We need to get rid of this notion and let our fellow Lions know that we care far beyond the boundaries of an official visit.

This year being 2020 fits perfectly into the purview of Lions: 20/20 vision. I think we have a banner year ahead of us. I have never been one to be big on resolutions because I feel it's just another promise that most of us are sure to break. Still this year I have decided to make three resolutions but I need your help.

So here goes. I resolve to promote Lionism as loud and long as I can and to offer the opportunity to as many people as possible to feel the passion and satisfaction that I do by being a member of this organization

In other words My resolutions are: (1) to have every member in the district bring in one new Lion; (2) to have every member in the district commit to at least one service project this year; and (3) to give every member in the district the opportunity for advancement through leadership. If we can all agree on these then I know that together we will Continue to Rock the Roar!

Happy New Year Lions!

#### District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



#### District G Governor Column Gary Mose

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Time to welcome in a New Year and a new year of service helping those in need. 2019 was probably one of the most exciting and learning years of my life. We accomplished great things in District 36G and the ground work was laid for more to come. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG John Taylor accompanied me on several of my club visits. He and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Runnel will be instrumental in the continued growth and success of District 36G.

Our district is now a +12 and growing. We should reach the goal of 60 new members by June and maybe surpass it. Keep up the good work 36G team.

Every club visit has been special. Our Lions serve their communities in similar and unique ways. There are turkey shoots, camps, community dinners, ice cream socials, follies, crab feeds, county fairs and rodeos, fly in's and 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. There are pancake breakfasts, food booths, concession trailers, music in the park, ski venues and a New Year's Eve gala. Let's not forget all the service projects work going on – community health fairs, flags for 1<sup>st</sup> graders, school vision screenings, food banks, providing warm clothing and so much more. Many of our clubs are located in very rural locations, making it difficult at times to visit but not impossible. Get out and learn more about what they do to serve their communities and lend a helping hand.

Car troubles delayed my visit to Halfway Lions Club in September. I was really impressed when I visited the Halfway Lions Club in December. Halfway is a town with a population of around 300 people and a Lions club with the heart of a Lion. They are nestled in a valley surrounded by magnificent snowcapped mountains. What a glorious sight at sunset. They have a Lions park, club house and community center. They rent out their club house for various events, host the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Rodeo and breakfast, distribute Christmas Baskets for those in need and are preparing for their 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feed in March. Thank you Halfway Lions Club for a wonderful visit.

I mentioned in one of my columns about wanting to start a club in Milton-Freewater, It appears someone who lives there and a member of a Lions Club in Walla Walla read the article and want to have their own club where they live. After a phone conversation I found out there are several people who want a club in Milton-Freewater. My team is very excited and we're making plans to "replant the seeds" of Lionism in Melton-Freewater. We will be finishing up with 2 club visitations in January and then on to 3 clubs that need our help: Columbia Gorge, Sherman County and Wallowa.

Plans are on track for the District 36G Convention in La Pine the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of April. We will have several guest speakers, breakout sessions, vendor tables, entertainment and food. There will be a registration form in the January issue of Lions of Oregon. Also get your lodging reservations ASAP to ensure our Lion rates.

May this new year be a wonderful Lions year for all and always remember. "That's What It's All About."

#### **District 36-O Holds Another Great Cabinet Meeting**

Thirty Lions participated in a very informative District 36-O Cabinet meeting on Saturday, November 9 held at the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation.

DG Terry Bowman facilitated the meeting. There were valuable committee reports including Zone Chair Ed Glad suggesting that clubs that give away college scholarships also consider giving the recipient a \$50 check each month for the first year in college. This way the club can build a relationship with the student and the parents. Perhaps this could lead to potential club members. Also 1st VDG Sheri Young told us about the Hillside Elementary School that got a grant to create a giant emergency supply kit inside a large shipping container. As the Alert Team Committee Chair, she was part of that project. We also heard from PDG Mary Lee Turner that unless someone else takes on the chair of the Mexico Eyeglass Mission trips, this year will be the last. Organizer Sharon Elder is retiring from that role. Know anyone to take on this valuable project?

We heard about the Camp UKANDU that helps children with pediatric cancers as reported by GST Fae Lloyd. We learned about new discounted hearing aids reported by PDG Red Rowley. And we heard about the food drives in Lions clubs as reported by Lion Kerith Vance.

Carrie Bartley, Awards Committee Chair, reminded us to get involved in the district awards contests. Zone Chair Steve Studer told us to listen in on the upcoming online webinar about using Google gmail with your clubs. And PDG Hank Calhoun told us that the OLSHF hopes to conduct more vision screenings this year than the almost 200,000 from last year.



It was a very informative meeting.

submitted by PDG Bert Diamond

# La Pine Lions Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oktoberfest

The La Pine Lions Club held their 3rd Annual Oktoberfest on September 28, 2019. Proceeds go to support the club's community service projects. Originally scheduled to be held outdoors at the Rosland Campground, inclement weather required a change in venue to an indoor location at La Pine Parks & Recreation Community Center.

This was very much a family event. Lion volunteers created a Kid Zone with face painting and lots of hands on activities and freebies. People danced to the music of the Summit Express Jazz Band and enjoyed the performance of our local dance group, the La Pine C.O.D.E. dancers. Smoked brats, German potato salad, sauerkraut, giant pretzels and German chocolate cake were among the food offerings. Local brews and cider were served in the Biergarten.



Lion Monica Leon helping with face painting.

Lion Jerry Toussaint blowing up balloons.

Even though the outside events didn't happen (Crooked River Train, Bouncy Houses and outdoor Food/Biergartens), volunteers from a variety of organizations and local Lions clubs (Bend, Crooked River, Redmond) helped make the event a success.

Next year's event is scheduled to be held at the La Pine Community Center on September 19, 2020.



(I-r) Brianna with her grandmother Lion Cathy Foran and daughter Laura selling giant pretzels.



Lion Sue Mose in the kitchen.

submitted by Penny Gordon



# Nancy's "Angel Eye"

Every day, most of us wake up, open our eyes, and greet the morning. We don't have to think much about navigating through our home, getting behind the wheel of our car, performing the daily tasks of life, or just walking the aisles of our local grocery store. For Nancy, these things that she once took for granted disappeared overnight after an airborne bacteria infected her right eye.

In 2015, Nancy's sight was unexpectedly compromised. At first, she noticed a blurring of her vision, but wasn't too concerned until her eye became pink and closed up. Her doctor discovered that a bacterial infection from an unknown source had built a wall around her cornea. Nancy's anxiety grew when she arrived in Pittsburgh to see a specialist and was greeted at the emergency entrance by a medical team wearing full biohazard gear. For the next 24 hours, she was quarantined and told that if



her eye, now sealed closed, didn't open within the next eight days, she might lose it. Over the course of eight days, Nancy remained hospitalized, undergoing tests while enduring throbbing pain in her head and extreme light sensitivity. She put a lot of faith into the medical team whose voices she came to trust but whose faces she could barely see. On the eighth day, Nancy's eye opened.

Nancy credits God with opening her eye, but there was still a long road ahead – more tests, more pills, more drops, but no cure in sight. When her eye doctor began using an autologous serum to battle the infection, Nancy began to see real improvements, but doctors

recognized that the eye was too badly damaged to recover fully. Cornea transplant would be the best solution.

Four years after her initial infection, Nancy felt ready to undergo surgery. The procedure was longer than usual at three and a half hours, but it changed Nancy's life forever. Nancy says, "I call it my 'angel eye.' I look at my eye in the mirror and I say, 'You know what? We're family now. I have a family in Portland somewhere. You are my gift."

Nancy hasn't met her donor's family, but they have exchanged letters, and her donor's family says it well: "I'm so sorry you had to wait so long, but now you see the light."

Lions VisionGift is dedicated to advancing transplantation, research and education to honor donors and their gifts of sight. Since its inception in 1975, over 40,000 people have received the gift of sight from tissue procured and screened by Lions VisionGift. Additionally, thousands of gifts have been utilized for ocular research and surgical training. Lions VisionGift has locations in both Portland, Oregon and Boston, Massachusetts.

### Managing Type 2 Diabetes By: Corinna Cornejo

#### Starting Insulin for Type 2 Diabetes

When a person starts taking insulin it brings a new level of complexity to treating type 2 diabetes. You have to learn how to give yourself injections. And insulin is not like pills or other liquid medicines, it's kind of fussy.

#### What's the First Thing to Know About Insulin?

Insulin is a medication, not a judgment. Some people see using insulin as a failure - the result of not keeping diabetes under control. First of all, while you can make decisions about how you manage your self-care, you cannot "control" diabetes. There is no treatment or lifestyle change that guarantees you can stop diabetes from progressing forever. Because some people see insulin as a failure, they often feel stigmatized. One survey found 61% of people with type 2 diabetes who used insulin felt stigmatized.

Stigma is a problem because it undermines people's ability to manage their diabetes. That feeling of judgement often gets in the way of feeling comfortable taking medication when needed. To successfully use insulin first you have to face down any stigma you are feeling. You have to be confident in your ability to do some new things, like learning how to give yourself an injection. You'll have to commit to finding a way to follow your insulin regime consistently - regardless of whether you are at work or in a social situation.

#### What Else Is There To Know About Using Insulin?

Using insulin is complex and demanding. It has a lot of moving parts. It can be prescribed as a single shot of the same number of units at the same time every day. Or it can be prescribed as multiple shots of varying units based on your current blood glucose reading. Work with your healthcare team to make sure you learn, practice, and become proficient in everything you need. This is not the time to be shy.

#### What's the Best Way to Learn How to Use Insulin?

Learn from your healthcare team. They should be knowledgeable and committed to helping you. Be persistent until you truly understand. Sometimes you may need to ask the same question several times.

#### Reach out to diabetes peers for "BTDT" experience.

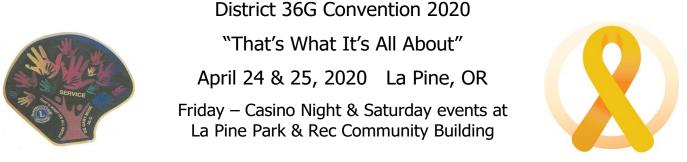
Your diabetes peers can often cut to the chase with many lifetimes worth of "been-there-donethat" experience to help you problem solve or plan.

#### What's the Best Way to Move Ahead Using Insulin?

Be persistent until you feel confident. Practice. Ask questions. Seek answers and well-informed advice.

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submitted by Lion Russ Chase, MD36G Diabetes Awareness Chairman



Please fill out and submit a separate registration form for each person attending. Please print legibly.

( ) Lion ( ) Lioness ( ) Guest	District:	Club: _	
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Dress Code: Friday night & Saturday day – Casual or Club attire

Saturday Night – Dressy but not formal

Please make checks

payable to La Pine

Lions Club.

Registration deadline April 17, 2020

Hospitality Book: Includes registration, all training/workshops and all meals. (Please note if you plan to come for a single meal, the registration fee is not required. If you attend any of the sessions, the registration fee will apply.)

() \$100 Lions & Guests until April 3 [\$110 from April 4 through 17] (includes all programs & 4 meals)

() \$75 Saturday only (registration, 3 meals)

Individual Meal Options:

- () \$25 Registration (non-refundable)
- () \$20 Friday Dinner Buffet
- () \$12 Saturday Breakfast
- () \$15 Saturday Lunch

() \$30 Saturday Dinner – () New York Steak () Salmon () Vegetarian () Gluten Free

Please mail registration & check to: La Pine Lions Club c/o District 36G Convention PO Box 3241 La Pine, OR 97739

Lodging: Mention "Lions" Convention and reserve prior to March 1, 2020 to guarantee these rates:

Best Western Newberry Station, \$95.00 + tax (60 rooms blocked) 16515 Reed Road, La Pine Reservations: 541) 536-5130

Highlander Motel, 1 person/1bed \$73.98, 2 person/1bed \$82.69, 2 person/2bed \$91.99 (10 rooms available) 51511 HWY 97, La Pine Reservations: 541) 536-2131

Limited Availability:

Sunriver Resort – Lodge Village Guest Rooms - King or 2 Queen beds. \$139.00/night + tax and resort fees. 17600 Center Drive, Sunriver, Reservations: 855 420-8206

Questions? Contact Sue Mose, Convention Chair (lapinelionsclub@gmail.com) 541 536-5413

2020 36-R Covention Registration Form "We Serve Through Teamwork" February 8, 2020 * CH2M Hill Alumni Center * Corvallis, Oregon REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 25, 2020 LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 31, 2020 Registration Opens 7:30 AM First Timers Program 8:30 AM Convention Opens 9:00 AM Adjournment 4:30 PM					
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his wife, Becky, from Wooster, Ohio, at 6:00 PM on Friday, February 7, 2020. The dinner will be at the Hilton Garden Inn, located at 2500 SW Western Blvd, Corvallis, OR 97333. The No Host Dinner will feature a buffet including Classic Caesar Salad, Antipasto Platter, Penne Pomodoro, Vegetarian Lasagne, Chicken Parmesan, Lemon Herb Risotto, Chef's Choice Seasonal Vegetables, Warm Garlic Bread, Chef's Choice Desert, Iced Tea, Hot Tea, Coffee and Decaf Coffee. A No Host Bar is available. Friday Night Meet and Greet Dinner received ON or BEFORE January 25, 2020 \$36.00 Friday Night Meet and Greet Dinner received AFTER January 25, 2020 \$41.00					
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# **Sponsors Bowl Us Over with Their Support**

The Gresham Lions Supper Club held our annual 9 pin No-Tap Bowl-A-Thon October 6. This was the best year ever. We netted \$8K and filled all 24 lanes for each flight. In fact, we had to turn away some bowlers, a first for us. We had sponsors that sponsored a lane or more and they also participated in the actual bowling. We had 34 sponsors and almost 60 raffle prizes plus two nice 50/50 pots. It was a great day for everyone and for East County.



**Bowling Participants** 



Lion Members Cathy Butts, Ron Pompel and Leticia Pena getting ready to sell 50/50 raffle tickets

Our club has been actively giving back to the community. A few of the things we have already done with the funds we earned include:

- Donated \$1,500 to the Guide Dogs for the Blind Puppy Raisers
- Provided 20 coats to children in a couple of the elementary schools, just in time before the cold weather hits
- Contacted the Salvation Army for families to provide Thanksgiving dinners and a list of families for Christmas

We will have plenty of funds to help with vision and hearing care this year and more.



Charter Member Dave Warren watching over the Raffle tables

Guide Dogs for the Blind Puppy Raisers (kneeling is Lion Member Sandy Lissman and Puppy Raiser)





One of many raffle prizes

submitted by Leslie Pompel

# Portland Hollywood Lions Have a Busy Fall

The Portland Hollywood Lions have had some very busy months this fall, starting with our semiannual blood drive led by Bill Stout held on September 5. This is the longest running blood drive west of the Mississippi. It was very successful fulfilling our quota and getting kudos from the American Red Cross. On October 19 we collected \$327 for white cane days at two different grocery stores, QFC at 55th & Burnside and Grocery Outlet 44th and NE Hancock, informing the public of the importance of being aware of white canes for the blind and low vision individuals. It was a very worthwhile project and people were interested in our message and guite generous.



(I-r) Flags for first graders: Gary Balo, Arlene Halvorson, Melinda Palmer and David Ott.



(I-r) preparing flags for first graders Melinda Palmer with Gary and Karen Balo.



White Cane Days (I-r) Judy Schneider, Arlene Martinez, Ashley Villarama, Bill Stout and David Ott

On October 26 at the Hollywood Farmer's Market we collected eyeglasses, some of us in Halloween attire. On November 5, we presented 84 first graders with flag kits, informing them of the importance of our American Flag. We marched proudly as Lions in the Ross Hollywood Veterans Parade on November 11. We were joined by members from Oaks Bottom and Milwaukie Lions. We continue to serve our community and are so proud to be Lions.



Ross Hollywood Veterans Parade with Lions from Portland Hollywood, Oaks Bottom and Milwaukie clubs participating



(I-r) Arlene Halvorson, Deidra Youngerman, Russ Bennett, Karen Balo, Gary Balo and their future Lion granddaughter Samantha.

submitted by Arlene Halvorson

# Start You Own Lions Cyber Club:

A Lions Club International (LCI) specialist, PDG Charlie Short from the West Lafayette Lions Club in Indiana gave a fantastic presentation about starting your own Lions Cyber Club. This was at the Council of Governors quarterly meeting on November 16 at the Tigard Methodist Church. THANK YOU, CHARLIE, AND THANK YOU TO CC SHARON ROLLINS for organizing the event.

Here are some highlights of Charlie Short's speech.

#### Things to Think About with All Clubs:

- A Cyber Lions Club is a club with a new style of organizing for service and fun. It communicates, promotes, recruits and markets using modern tools and methods. Consider including people you know all over the world. Relatives, friends etc. From our country or other countries. Geographic borders don't matter. 50% of all members of a cyber club must be from within the Multiple District.
- Why organize online? To serve in the real world. Nowadays, most business in companies and organizations is conducted online.
- Are we organized for meetings or organized for service? Maybe de- emphasize the meetings. Why do we still read aloud the secretary and Treasurer's reports at meetings? Does your club spend more time meeting or doing service?
- With Cyber Clubs, you can lower your administrative time commitment. Increase the time and commitment doing service. Cyber clubs still abide by all Lions bylaws, constitutional and legal procedures and policies.
- There are about 70 Cyber Lions clubs around the world. The first cyber club was in 1984 was in England.
- What can be done online? Dues, donations, fundraising, scheduling and promoting events, recruiting and marketing, training and orientation, voting, holding conferences. All of this can be done online usually for free.
- The district cabinet meetings can also be used as a hub for quarterly cyber club meetings and larger service projects. This further reduces the administrative load by piggybacking the meetings.
- Cyber club officers meet regularly online for club business. Consider accepting all cyber new members. Tap members who quit in the past few years. This can be BIG!
- The ELEVATOR SPEECH should be practiced a lot! Lions clubs are a valued proposition.
- Cyber clubs are great for raising money online from different locations. Service projects can be an opportunity for the cyber club members to meet as they do their community service.

#### Who can help you start?

- Contact by email Jeanne Ewert. She is the LCI contact for cyber and specialty clubs. (630) 468-6847 or Jeanne.ewert@lionsclubs.org.
- Check out the Facebook Lions Global Forum. Click on "Follow" with this resource.
- Search on the LCI website for Cyber Club resources and existing clubs for more information.
- Another great link for more information on Cyber clubs (this link will only be good for the digital version of the magazine) https://m.facebook.com/notes/cyber-lions-group/faqs-on-how-to-forma-cyber-clublessons-learned-from-an-actual-cyber-club-start-/194398724493332/

# A Tutorial on How to Do It.

# Important things to consider and do with cyber clubs:

- Keep things moving quickly (post something online at least every three days), keep low operating costs, have a wider service area, work hard to retain members, have a lot of flexibility, and make big use of social media.
- Charlie said they were surprised to get new members who were not young. They were farmers, traveling business people and rural people. And they attracted Lions who left their clubs for various reasons, especially being because of being disengaged with the activities.



PDG Charlie Short presenting at November 2019 Council meeting in Tigard

#### **Opportunities for cyber clubs:**

Think about making it a branch or specialty club. There's unlimited freedom to experiment and develop. Consider attracting new members from all walks of life. Sell to potential members that this provides good leadership opportunities. Cyber clubs can still access all LCIF and state Lions grants.

#### Weaknesses and Threats:

You do need to meet sometimes as online contact doesn't always do it to stay together and continue as a strong club. And raising administrative funds is difficult so you need to include that into your club dues. Very, very important is that you need to have friendly district and state that will support you because sometimes traditional Lion leaders don't understand this new type of club. Charlie suggested maybe not using PayPal for club dues and to find some other online payment system. Cyber clubs ARE LEGAL clubs with LCI.

#### Why did Lions join the West Lafayette Lions Cyber club? (taken from a survey)

Lions said, "That old traditional club is not for me" and "I travel too much to attend any meetings" and "I was thinking of quitting my stick-in-the-mud club" and "There are too many clubs in my area and this will not compete with existing clubs."

#### How To Start:

- Get your IRS tax number. Go online and get a tax number.

- Contact LCI to tell them you're starting as a full Lions club. If you're a branch club, no need for this. Most of all, Charlie Short said to get started, to just go and do it! He said his cyber club was able to start up in 72 hours. That's the magic of operating online.

submitted by PDG Bert Diamond





# 2020 Resolutions Are Crystal Clear

Hank Calhoun Board Chair

If you're like us, keeping a New Year's Resolution can be challenging. After all, if what we resolve to accomplish was easy, we'd already be doing it, right?

As an organization, OLSHF has a 2020 New Year's Resolution to continue to enhance our communication with you, the Lions of MD-36. Our efforts to better inform you of our sight and hearing programs include utilizing the pages here in the Oregon Lions magazine of course, but also through Facebook, our new monthly video magazine: **the OLSHF News** (find us on YouTube.com by searching for OLSHF) and through our participation at every 2020 Lions Convention in MD-36 this year. Since communication should be a twoway street, we also want to hear from you. Our OLSHF Lions Survey can be accessed at :

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OLSHF\_Survey\_2019

...or contact us at info@olshf.org and we'll email you the link to the survey.

With their permission, here are some New Year's Resolutions from OLSHF Board and Staff, some are Lions related and others...not so much:

**Kerith, Staff :** "To remember the blessings in my life every day...and to revamp and improve the referral process for people seeking help from the Lions and the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

Hank Calhoun, Board Chair : "To live more in the moment. I resolve to spend more time meditating and appreciating the experience of life as it comes." Doug Thompson Executive Director



**Melinda, Staff :** "To focus my efforts on... more access to hearing aids through Medicaid...and increasing the number of Medicaid providers statewide."

**Russ Chase, Board Member :** "To get better organized so that I may benefit those depending on our support."

**Karen, Staff :** "Find ways to make sure the people/communities we serve are empowered... letting the people we serve speak to the issues in their community, not just talk about how we've helped them."

**Red Rowley, Board Member:** "My resolutions are lose weight, simplify my life, be successful in helping those in need, improve my spiritual life.

Katie, Staff : "To spend less than one hour per day playing on my cell phone!"

Jane Thomas, Board Member : "Have a NET weight loss, accept the fact I don't always get 10,000 steps in a day, smile and laugh more, not get all fuzzed up about the small stuff, and continue my spiritual journey."

Let us know if you'd like to share **YOUR** New Year's Resolution, especially if it's related to how OLSHF can improve and enhance our sight and hearing services. Not only will you help us "keep the promise" of addressing preventable sight and hearing loss for those in need, you might just help us keep our New Year's Resolution.

Either way, Happy New Year!

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# **Program Spotlight: School Vision Screening**



Milwaukee Lions Carrie & David Bartley participated in their first school vision screening on November 17th at Oregon Trail Elementary in the North Clackamas School District.

"After many years of being a Lion, this was our first opportunity to volunteer to help with a school screening event," says Carrie. "Not only was it fun, it was great to interact with the students and to know that this simple screening had the potential to change a life when it came to a child's vision."

David agrees. "It was so gratifying seeing how many children the few of us were able to help in so short a time,

because of the tools and experience OLSHF brings to each screening. It is hard to imagine the staff with limited resources at each school having to accomplish this without the assistance you provide."

"We will definitely be doing this again," adds Carrie, "and would encourage ALL Lions to help with a screening at least once in their Lion career."

If you or your Lions Club would like to volunteer or sponsor a school screening event, please contact Jennifer Kirlin at jennifer@olshf.org or call 503-413-7399.

OLSHF would like to thank our PRIDE recurring monthly donors. For us, it's a reliable source of funding, which means more services available to our community. For our community, it means low-cost health screenings, affordable hearing aids, eyeglasses, and other sight and hearing health services. For you, it means your monthly donation played a direct role in all the critical work we do.

Here's a sample of how your PRIDE support made a difference in 2019:

2,187 pairs of eyeglasses built in our LEAP Lab 286 hearing aids 122 cataract surgeries 176,005 students' vision screened

To become a PRIDE member, sign up online at olshf.org/pride or call 503-413-7399

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# **Program Spotlight: ROAR!**

On Friday, December 13, the ROAR! program held a mobile event in Roseburg. Dr. Todd Landsberg traveled from Coos Bay to see nine patients, seven of which received hearing aids! A special thanks to Dr. Steve Tronnes and the Roseburg Lions for their support and coordination for this event.



# **Rethinking Recycling**

Styrofoam cups and coffee pads aren't recyclable...right? They are if you talk to a company that works with conscientious brands and consumers to provide recycling programs for almost every form of waste.

Think of a household product that often ends up in the trash – a used toothbrush, a chip bag, a water filter – and there's probably a way you can recycle it for free. Usually you can slide the waste into a padded envelope, print a prepaid shipping label and send it off to Terra Cycle, where materials are cleaned, shredded and made into products ranging from school supplies to bird feeders.

Then there's the Zero Waste Box program. For this, Terra Cycle focuses on three categories of waste; disposable cups and lids, candy and snack wrappers and single-serve coffee, tea and creamer capsules. Offices, stores and even individuals can buy Zero Waste Boxes to fill and ship back to Terra Cycle. From there, the "trash" is broken down and converted into compostable waste or reusable raw material.

In 2018, Subaru partnered with Terra Cycle to make Zero Waste boxes available to all Subaru retailers. Since then, retailers have diverted 500,000 pounds of waste, or the equivalent of about 150 Subaru vehicles, from landfills.

Subaru is proud of how effective the partnership has proved to be, noting that the Zero Waste Boxes have filled up faster than anticipated. Customers are especially happy to see that they can recycle things such as single-use coffee pods that aren't always accepted in regular recycling bins.

Does your Lions club have a recycling program or environmental project that needs to be publicized? Just a reminder this year we are listing Lions Club Environmental Projects that also give out good public relations to their community. If you have photos or stories about such activities please send to the email below.

# Lions MD-36 Nature/Scenery Photo Contest for 2019-20

Another reminder to submit your photos for the MD-36 photo contest Deadline for photos is April 1, 2020, with the best of the best being voted on at the MD-36 Convention in Canyonville, May 2020. The photos can be sent to the email address below or hard copies to the below mailing address.

submitted by Ted Carlin, Vptcarlin@yahoo.com,541--604-4054 16355 SW Chinook Dr., Terrebonne, OR 97760

## Gresham Lions Supper Club and the Boy Scouts Prepares the Heroes Memorial for Veterans Day Services

The Gresham Lions Supper Club along with Boy Scout Troop No. 664, led by Scout Master Wade Radke and Assistant Scout Master Sally Palmiter, took the Sunday before Veterans Day to make sure the Heroes Memorial Plaza was in pristine condition to honor those who sacrificed their lives to protect us.



The memorial honors the men and women of the military, fire and police services. It was a beautiful sunny day and a great day to work together. We were fortunate to have all the leaves off the trees. Along with the scouts and plenty of rakes and brooms we were able to bag them all and off to the dump the leaves went.

submitted by Leslie Pompel



# DISTRICT 36-0 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

28 - 29 February 23, 2020

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Clubs are encouraged to bring baskets to be raffled Saturday afternoon. Prizes will be awarded for the basket with the most tickets sold and the basket best matching the theme.

QUESTIONS: Contact Convention Chair Lion Vincent F. Bishop at 541-974-3620 or email: vfbishop@hotmail.com

### **Elgin Lions Hold Annual Shopping for Deserving Students**

The Elgin Lions partnered with Walmart of Island City for their annual shopping spree with deserving families. The annual event allows families to select special items needed during the holiday season.

Pictured in the top row are PDG Gerald Hopkins, Darlene Garver, Samantha Graham and Mike Garver. Standing next to their carts are Kyria Graham in the second row and Breeanna Graham in front.



submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

## **Baker City Lions Super Active Club**

Beginning the year with 44 active members, the Baker City Lions have made their imprint within the community. A look at the activities may inspire other Lions to set new goals for their club. Just to list a few of the events. Radio Daze (days) is one of the healthier fundraisers. The Lions help with two of the annual tournaments held in the school facility each year. The Miner's Jubilee is an annual fundraiser for Lions, with members serving two breakfasts. During the Jubilee, there is a Bull and Bronc rodeo that the Lions set up for each evening. This is another of the BCLC richest fundraisers. The Lions sponsor a Horseshoe Tournament, which is a growing event.

Baker City has been hosting the annual Hell's Canyon Motorcycle Rally and this year it was reported that 1,500 bikes were parked on Main Street. Although the Baker Lions do not host or have a hand in the project, the club rents out large tents/tarp covers and members of the club set them up and take them down.

Community Nite Out occurs every first Tuesday of August at the Geiser-Pollman Park. The Baker City Lions have been responsible for serving the meat dish. Members have done hamburgers, chicken and this year chicken teriyaki. Members served around 650 persons. It is also in the fall that "Spot" checks are made on the students in the schools. The Lions continue helping the young folks with "Shoes for Kids". The project works through the schools because the teachers know the children and families' situation. The Lions also help the reading program for elementary students, where they take the time to spend an hour or more helping where it is needed.

The Lions are also active in assisting with maintenance and up-keep of the local playgrounds and parks, especially when providing changes and equipment. It is often that workers are provided lunch during the special projects. Many of the improvements in the Work Out Zone, an outdoor gym just for the person who likes the great outdoors, is done by Lions.

Each year the Baker City Lions Club decorates the Geiser-Pollman Park for the holidays. Frequently it is necessary for new purchases of decorations, so Lions often consult with local businesses willing to help provide replacement for new décor.

For an exciting visit to an exceptional club, visits can be made every Thursday at noon. New ideas and new projects abound with the Baker City Lions.

# **Mayor Visits Local Lions**

Mayor Allan Duffy was a recent guest at the Elgin Lions Club. Duffy explained plans for a "Downtown Revitalization Program" for the city. The total projected acquisition of 6-8 million dollars in grants would go toward main street projects enhancing the city. The first amount of three million dollars would go toward the renovation of the Opera House. Areas of improvement for the historic structure would include a new stage, new lighting and construction of dressing rooms along with bathrooms. "Some of the money could be used for improvements of other buildings in the downtown area." After learning about the grant proposals, two major retailers have expressed an interest in the downtown buildings according to the mayor.



Mayor Allan Duffy talks to Elgin Lions.

"This is an exciting goal," Duffy stated, "and my goal is to see it through." Duffy explained that the revitalization is meant to include all of the downtown area, however, the money could not be used for streets or curbs. Those funds would be acquired through other sources, Duffy noted.

In other action, the Elgin Lions will be sponsoring a Kick-off Basketball Invitation December 6-7 at the Elgin High School. Boys' and girls' varsity teams from Elgin, Council, Wallowa and Grant Union will participate. In addition, the La Grande and Baker City JV's will compete.

The Lions plan to put up the community Christmas tree on November 30, as well as sponsor a Light Parade on December 14.

High numbers have been reported for attendees at the weekly BINGO session, held at the Community Center beginning at 6:30 P.M. A portion of funds collected will be used to place stencils on the Lion Duck Train.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

# **Elgin Lions Host Invitational**

Six teams participated in the Elgin Lions Basketball Invitational and players, as well as spectators, enjoyed two days of fast-paced action from teams representing La Grande JVs, Bajer JVs, John Day, Wallowa, Council, Idaho and Elgin. Placing emphasis on sportsmanship and fairness, the Lions emphasized to the teams the importance of high standards, positive values and positive entertaining experiences for the spectators. Chair Jared Rogers stated that the Invitational was highly successfully netting over \$2,000 for the club.



Lions Jared Rogers, PCC Steve Oliver and Debbie Rogers set up the hospitality room for coaches, drivers and officials.



Lions pose at the registration table. (I-r) Jim Hallgarth, Risa Hallgarth, Gene Hardy, Barbara Hawes, Darlene Garver, Mike Garver, Lynn Knapp, Jared Rogers and Daryl Hawes.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

### La Grande Lions Active with Coats for Kids

Betty Sprenger was the guest of the La Grande Lions Club and recognized for her efforts to help in the Coats for Kids Project. According to chair, Larry Glaze, collecting coats is a yearlong process and coats collected at the area schools are taken to Betty for cleaning and mending. Betty relayed, "When I found out about the Lions collecting the coats, I was excited. I feel so dedicated to the project. I started out with about 104 washing machine loads." Betty noted that she gets about 70-80 bags that need to be mended and cleaned. It was also stated that more new coats were donated



Guest Betty Sprenger is surprised with a tub of cleaning supplies and \$100 gift certificate to Grocery Outlet. (I-r) are Betty Sprenger, Randy and Michelle Wilson, son, Tanner Wilson and Larry Glaze with supplies.

this year than previous years. Glaze added that an anonymous donor bought several hundred dollars of coats at Costco and donated them to the project. Island City Lions Randy and Michelle Wilson were present to recognize Betty with a box of cleaning supplies and a \$100 gift certificate at the Grocery Outlet.

Three new Lions were inducted by PDG Gerald Hopkins and PCC Steve Oliver. All three were sponsored by Lion Brent Lewis and included Tanner Wilson, Hailey Durrant and Shawn Tritchka.



Induction ceremony of members included (I-r) PDG Gerald Hopkins, Tanner Wilson, Shawn Tritchka, Hailey Durrant, sponsor Brent Lewis and PCC Steve Oliver

La Grande continues to be active with Christmas wreaths and Glaze noted that most of the large wreaths had been sold. Some will be taken to the Elgin Lions Club auction as a fundraiser for both clubs.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins