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May, 2020 Volume 10/19-20

~ Stay Safe & Healthy ~

Lions of MD 36,

IT'S OFFICIAL! The MD 36 Convention that was scheduled for May 14-16, 2020, in Canyonville, OR had been **CANCELLED**. Please call the reservations line at Seven Feathers to make sure your hotel room has been cancelled. That number is: **1-888-677-7771**. We are **Group #168**.

We will miss all of you this year but it's most important right now to **STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY!** We will plan for next year when everything calms down.

PCC Joyce Anderson
MD 36 Convention Operating Committee Chair

After careful consideration Camp Taloali has decided to cancel our Camp Taloali Summer Program, closing the camp to all rentals and activities until further notice due to Covid-19. Any donations will help secure the future of the camp. Your contribution will make an impact, whether you donate \$5 or \$500. Every little bit helps. Thank you for your support.



How many Lions can you name from this photo, taken recently at the Oregon State Capitol?

See Photos pgs 21-23

ANNIVERSARIES

May 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.

May

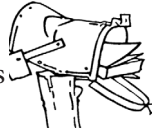
Salem Downtown	May 26, 1922
La Grande	May 2, 1929
Mt. Hood	May 11, 1951
Gresham Breakfast	May 6, 1980
Cloverdale/Nestucca	May 6, 1983
Florence-Siuslaw	May 26, 1983
Gold Beach	May 6, 1993
Waldport	May 17, 1993
Elgin	May 23, 1997
Mohawk Valley	May 6, 2003
La Pine	May 24, 2004
Weston McEwen	May 6, 2008

June

Coquille	June 25, 1925
Columbia Gorge	June 29, 1948
Langlois	June 15, 1964
Crooked River Ranch	June 28, 1979
Dallas	June 10, 2003
Woodburn	June 30, 2004
So. Oregon Drifting	June 5, 2014

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Lions Club: _____

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MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

May

- 9 District R Cab. mtg 9-12 Viking Sal Senior Cntr. 245 W 5th Ave., Junction City (keep fingers crossed)
- 9 District G Cab. mtg. 10am-12, via telephone
- 14 OLSHF Trustee mtg 9-12 held remotely via Gotomeeting. Access via your computer, tablet or smartphone go to <https://www.gotomeet.me/OLSHF-Brenda/olshf-board-of-trustees-meeting> You can also dial in using your phone. +1 (872) 240-3212 Access Code: 502-215-181 New to GoToMeeting? Get the app now and be ready when your first meeting starts: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/502215181>
- 18 TBD - SOLSHC Board mtg. @5 :30

June

- 11 OLSHF Patient Comm. Mtg
- 13 Dist. E Cabinet Mtg., 10am-1pm, Sutherlin
- 29 SOLSHC Board Mtg. @ 5:30pm

EVENTS

May

- 10 The *Oregon Lion* deadline (for June issue)

June

- 1 Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 4100 Cherry Ave., NE @6pm
- 4-6 **NW Lions Leadership, BC, Canada**
POSTPONED until September
- 10 The *Oregon Lion* deadline (for July-August combined issue)



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Creating Harmony Through Service

As I write this on April 7, our world is still upside down in the grasp of the COVID-19 pandemic. Looking beyond the human tragedies, what a horrific effect this virus has had on our Lions club service activities and the fundraisers to support those community-helping projects. Many of our clubs have taken on projects still possible in the time of social distancing, including the creation of masks for those not directly working in health care but in need of safety and helping out at food banks to safely deliver needed nutrition to community members.

Although two of our district conventions have been cancelled and, at this writing, the decision regarding the MD 36 Convention has not yet been made, Lions business is continuing as planned. Club elections have been held using one of several e-communication platforms. Many clubs are holding meetings over Zoom or other group communication methods, doing their best to stay in touch with each other. We Lions are a creative group and we're finding ways to be connected!

At this time, it does appear that the "Ah Ha Moment" stories will be collected and judged in a different way than previously planned. Perhaps DG Bob Chaney will find a way to assemble the book of stories into which he has put so very much planning time or perhaps the project will continue through the next Lions year. In either case, I want to share my story with you here, because we all need to read something to lift our hearts just a bit!

"Have you ever seen a vision impaired little guy just light up with excitement? I had the pleasure of watching Cody, a third grader living with albinism, do just that. Along with some

of the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing staff, I was privileged to watch Dr. J. P. Lowery, the OLSHF Low Vision specialist, as he worked with kids in his traveling clinic, in this case an unoccupied classroom. Cody could not see the white board at the front of the classroom, even with his eyeglass correction. Dr. Lowery fitted his need by providing Cody with a monocular scope, an instrument much like one half of a pair of binoculars. It was just amazing and incredibly heartwarming, to see the 8 year old's response when he put the monocular up to his best eye. He even got up and went to the back of the classroom to test his vision with the new instrument's help, excitedly laughing and telling us that now he could sit anywhere he wanted in the classroom! And, just so happy, he told Dr. Lowery and we Lions, that this was so cool and that he'd be the only kid with a space age scope! That was the day when I became a Lion in my heart."

We're Lions and WE CONTINUE TO SERVE
– AS BEST AS WE CAN!

Council Chair Sharon

Directory Corrections

- p. 29 King City Lions has new Secretary Barbara Sherman R) 503.539.4707 ~lionsherman@comcast.net
- p. 43 Grants Pass Secretary is now Nancy Stahly. Email is nstahly@hotmail.com
- p. 86 MD36 Environmental Chair Ted Carlin has passed away
- p. 102 Palmer, first name should be Nod and email is nodpalmer@gmail.com
- p. 106 Schmith, Gary has new address of 91323 Sandstone Ln. Coos Bay, OR 97420
- p. 106 Schmith, Sheila new address of 91323 Sandstone Ln., Coos Bay, OR 97420

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District 36-O Thrives Vigorously

Our Lions clubs are resourceful and full of opportunities to grow into new ways to conduct our business. Now is the time to look for new ways to elect club officers and coordinate service projects. It is important to report your PU 101 to LCI and to copy Leah Hawes, MD36 Executive Secretary, so she can prepare the 2020-2021 directory (either by mailing to PO BOX 51345, Eugene, OR 97405 or via email md36lions@comcast.net).

Your club, your way, -- that is up to you to decide on how to elect your next officers. You can text, call, E-mail or Zoom, what works best for your club. I am collecting stories from clubs on how they are communicating and how these ways are being accepted. Right now is our opportunity, a watershed moment marking our course of action for our future. We can learn how to function in a changing environment. We will struggle some, however, we will be stronger as we progress into a new world. Take advantage of this opportunity and grow.

Respectfully, Terry Bowman, DG 36-O

Here we are trying to understand what the new normal will be. We know that everyone has been affected in some way by the covid-19 virus. So, let's start by reaching out to all of our club members and make sure they are safe and well (I have been reaching out to at least 5 friends a day). Next as our clubs get ready to start up activities and projects again, we have some very big shoes to fill. Every community in our district needs help with their food banks. Hunger is huge and there are now more people than ever before reaching out for help.

Every community is going to be cancelling activities or they are going to be very rushed to make events happen. For example, my community cancelled our Memorial Day tribute to past pilots because the flag we give to families are unavailable from Washington DC as they are not putting flags up right now and don't plan to start again until June. We will all have to be very flexible and understanding.

May is Strengthen Membership Month. As we sit at home, think of 3 people to call and contact about joining Lions. Invite them to a club project or meeting (membership could double THINK BIG). Also, it's time for club elections and new officers need to be reported on PU 101 to LCI. Please make certain that the info is also passed on to Leah so it can be put into the new directory. We also want to make sure that we have the correct meeting date, time and location.

And don't forget a donation to LCIF before the end of this Lions year. Just in the last year or so LCIF has given District R over \$120,000 in grants and with the covid-19 virus they are going to be giving out thousands of dollars all over the world.

And last, Stay Safe and Have Fun as we all get going again. DG Steve

District E - Southern - South Coast



District E Governor Column
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Alone, together we will survive

Well, here we are in week four of isolation as I write this and it doesn't appear that anything is going to change anytime soon. So, as we sit in our respective homes and view the world through a whole different lens than we have ever had to use before we must ask ourselves, "What can we do as Lions?" We are so used to going out and caring for those who are lacking in some way, shape or form and now we are basically held hostage.

Well, there are many things that can happen while we are quarantined and even if, by the time you read this, the Governor has lifted the stay home order.

First, we all have a telephone of some sort and we have a directory of our local club members, our district friends and our multiple district contacts. We need to call them, especially our local folks and just touch base with one another to let each other know that it's all right and we will get through this. We can also visit members one on one but don't forget social distancing and wearing your mask. Take someone some food or check on them if you can't reach them on the phone or you haven't heard from them in a while.

Also, you can use this time to contact those prospective members you have been inviting to projects and meetings and let them know that you do care about their well-being.

Finally if you and/or your club feels that they need to meet then there are a myriad of ways to do so through teleconferencing or using the internet.

Once this ends we need to remember that as Lions our motto is We Serve and we need to do so in whatever capacity we can.

At this writing our Multiple District Convention was still in a holding pattern. If held we hope that a lot of you will be able to attend, however, we do understand the health risk.

One other thing I would like to touch on is the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation's Keep the Promise BBQ that is set for Roseburg in June. I know that Eugene had to cancel theirs and we are still not sure about this one but at this point we are moving forward and we hope to be bringing forth more details as time allows so watch your emails.

Finally, I want to talk about our Guiding Lamp Award. We, as district governors, were a little surprised at how few stories we received throughout the year and then with two of the four conventions cancelled and the MD in limbo things got a little out of kilter. I want to assure you that we are moving forward and we will announce a winner at the MD Convention, if held, or if not shortly thereafter. As for our District E winner, I am pleased to announce that Martha Burkert of the Canyonville Club will represent our district in the finals.

I also want to congratulate and thank District E Lions for contributing to this project. District E had more entries (stories) than any other district and remember all of you will be included in the final product, our book.

Please stay safe and remember together we can Continue To Rock The Roar!

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



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Unfortunately, the COVID-19 virus forced the cancellation of the District 36-G Convention in April. The unknowns of this virus have kept our families, friends and clubs from gathering in person. Across the state schools have closed for the year and events are being cancelled or rescheduled. With this, our clubs' ability to fund raise is being greatly impacted. We must be creative in how we serve. Utilize alternative electronic meeting methods, social media and Go Fund Me drives. Ask yourself what is your club doing to continue its community service during this time of great need? Do you have Lions who can sew masks or gowns for medical personnel? Are you collecting medical supplies, helping seniors by running errands or grocery shopping? Can you volunteer for Meals on Wheels? Are you holding food drives for your local food bank? Are you checking on your fellow Lions, neighbors, family and friends to ask how they are doing or what do they need while practicing social distancing? This is a time for us to come together and ask, "How can I help serve our community?" Don't be afraid to reach out to those in need. Take advantage of electronic communication. With that, LCI is providing webinars and information on various options to help your clubs continue meeting. Zoom, Go-To-Meeting and other companies are allowing clubs to meet during a time when social distancing has become the norm. It's important for all of us to stay safe, but continue our service.

Hats off to the Pendleton and La Pine Clubs for moving their club meeting to an electronic format. I'm sure there are other clubs doing the same. Please let me know who you are and how you're doing. In an April Zoom meeting, 1VDG John Taylor, 2VDG Pete Runnels and I met to plan out strategies and recommendations for 1VDG John Taylor's term as District Governor. VDG John is seeking volunteers to fill Zone Chair and Committee positions for 2020-2021. We need Lions to step up and actively serve our district to help meet its goals. If you have the desire, time and energy to do this, PLEASE reach out to the 1VDG and ask, "How can I help serve my District?"

My last Cabinet meeting scheduled for May 9 is being changed to a virtual meeting instead of an in-person one. Our childhood cancer projects planned for convention are ongoing. We are accepting donations of new handmade or purchased blankets/throws for infants and children, hats, caps, head scarves or PJ's for infants and youths. Take advantage of your time indoors by supporting this great project. Please continue saving your pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, or purchase "That's What It's All About" T-Shirt's. My visit to Kiwanis Doernbechers Children's Cancer Hospital has been postponed, but will be rescheduled when the time is appropriate.

As I near the end of my term, I want to take this time to thank every club member in our district for their service. We still have work to do to help clubs that are struggling and keep our membership growing. My membership goal was 60 new members. As of March we were at 80! Congratulations to clubs who grew and retained members. Keep up the good work. Stay safe, stay healthy. Yours in Service. DG Gary Mose 36G
"That's What It's All About!"

Lake Oswego Lions Raffle a Success for Sight and Hearing

With the last of the proceeds deposited, all the stubs entered for the drawing and the winning ticket #814 drawn, we have finished! Thanks to the efforts of the Lake Oswego Lions and the many who purchased Pot of Gold 50/50 Raffle Tickets we were able to raise \$1,297.34 to split. CONGRATULATIONS!


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**POT OF GOLD:
50-50 Cash Raffle**

POT OF GOLD: 50-50

Cash Raffle Benefitting
DISTRICT 36-O SIGHT AND HEARING TASK FORCE

Drawing Oswego Heritage House
398 10th Street, Lake Oswego
MARCH 18, 2020 AT 12:30
500@ \$5 PER TICKET OR 5/\$20.00
LAKE OSWEGO LIONS CLUB

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The winning ticket holder, Lion Anna Steichen of the Gresham Lions Supper Club, will get \$648.67. She said she made the purchase when Dane and Kathy Parreira visited their club meeting. And, \$648.67 will go to the District 36-O Sight and Hearing Task Force, which helps to provide eyeglasses and hearing aids for needy people who do not live near a Lions club.



(l-r) PDG Bert Diamond receives check on behalf of 36-O Sight & Hearing Task Force from Dane Parreira.

While Lion Bert Diamond of the Task Force, who purchased 15 of the tickets, did not win, he said he is happy for the winner who belongs to a great Lions club that does so much for sight and hearing and he was thrilled and thankful for the funds Lake Oswego Lions raised for the District 26-O Sight and Hearing Task Force. That \$648.87 will immediately be put to good use to fulfil needs of the applications the Task Force currently has pending. So both have been notified and will be receiving their checks via USPS. About 40% of the tickets were purchased by Lake Oswego Lions! Many thanks to those who sold tickets. Special thanks to Lion Sharon Rollins for her help with details, to Lion Genevieve Ford for getting the tickets printed and getting us started, to Lion Kelly Hobson for facilitating the collection of stubs and to Lion Jim Vincent for making deposits, making calculations and cutting the checks! Together we can do so much!

submitted by Bonnie Roeder

Island City Lions Honor Memory of Dee Weathermon

Island City Lions honored the recent passing of one of its faithful members in a special BINGO session held at the *Grocery Outlet* in La Grande. The BINGO numbers were called by her husband, Al Weathermon.



Memory Board for Dee Weathermon



Lions Randy and Michelle Wilson cut the cake for those attending the event



(l-r) Al Weathermon, PDG Gerald Hopkins, Kathy Oliver and PCC Steve Oliver pose at the BINGO party



Large group attends BINGO session honoring Dee Weathermon

Lions Randy and Michelle Wilson, managers of *Grocery Outlet*, provided all prizes free to players, as well as a cake for all attending.

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

#WeContinue

At **Lions VisionGift**, the safety and well-being of our employees, partners and recipients is always our priority, and we recognize the important role we play in providing transplant and research tissues. We are actively monitoring the COVID-19/Coronavirus situation and taking steps to help keep our communities safe. We wanted to share with you some inspiring photos from our staff during this time.



Check out this **Lions VisionGift** dynamic duo! of Phil and Rebecca. These two were in the lab processing already recovered corneas for our Halo program! Halo sterile tissue, developed at LVG, is shelf-stable and can be stored at room temperature. It is ready to use and requires no rinsing or rehydration, making it ideal for both emergency procedures and scheduled surgeries.



This past week, we received a generous donation of face masks from a surgeon we work with in Hong Kong, Dr. Arthur Cheng. After receiving this amazing gift, our VP of Surgical Services coordinated a drop-off with Multnomah County to make sure to they'd be able to distribute 700 masks as they saw fit. In addition, two boxes of masks went to the Old Town Clinic of Central City Concern, which offers healthcare services for more vulnerable populations. How inspiring it is to see the reach of the global community coming together to help better serve those in need!



These masks are fabulous! Our COO's parents wanted to pitch-in and made these beautiful masks for all of **Lions VisionGift's** employees. What a thoughtful gift! The team is already rocking theirs in the office and snapping some selfies. What do you think?

submitted by Matt Webber

Exercise Tips for Diabetes

Do you have type 1 or type 2 diabetes? If so you are not alone. In the U.S. alone there are more than 30 million people who live with these disorders. One way to manage this disease is to adopt a regular physical exercise routine. Movement helps control your symptoms from damaging internal organs. Are you ready to sweat? If so, read on to discover several exercise tips for those with diabetes:

- 1. Take a walk**, if you feel intimidated by the many machines, instead of buying a membership, take a walk around your block. A stroll is simple, plus all you need is a good pair of shoes. Walking is an aerobic activity that raises the heartbeat which can lower resistance to the hormone that regulates glucose and hemoglobin A1c levels. Plus people who walk at least 2 hours per week are less likely to have heart disease. You can cut your risk even more by walking 3-4 hours per week.
- 2. Strength Training**, also called resistance training, helps you build muscle. You can perform this task with handheld weights, stretch bands or your own body. As a bonus, this activity will help you with everyday day tasks such as climbing stairs, lifting heavy objects and walking. Studies show that strength training is as effective as aerobic exercise when it comes to improving how your body uses the hormone that regulates glucose in the blood. For those with diabetes, it can also aid in blood sugar control and weight loss.
- 3. Always stay hydrated**. Everyone who exercises needs to drink plenty of water. If you have type 1 or 2 diabetes, dehydration is often associated with erratic blood sugar levels and heat stroke. To stay safe, bring along a bottle wherever you go and remember to take sips before, during, and after any activity. Sometimes, it can be hard to tell if your body needs water. Some common symptoms include headache, dry mouth, thirst, dizziness and dark colored urine.
- 4. Perform a warm up**. Exercise is great for the body. If you jump into it too quickly, however, you can injure your muscles. Before starting any exercises, perform a warm up routine. According to experts warming up before physical activity will prepare your heart, lungs and muscles for the upcoming exertion.
- 5. Exercise in increments**. If you try to jog for 60 minutes straight you may find yourself huffing and puffing, unable to go on. Instead of pushing yourself, try to break up physical activity into manageable segments. For instance a 15 minute yoga routine in the morning, go for a brisk walk around the workplace in the afternoon and possibly swim a few laps in the pool at the end of the day.
- 6. Other possible ideas would be:**
 - **Practicing Tai Chi**, according to studies those with type 2 diabetes can benefit significantly from tai chi as the exercise improves blood glucose levels and immune system response.
 - **Dancing to music**. Dancing is a great way to increase your heartbeat, work up a sweat and burn calories. It's essential to stop if you injure yourself or feel any pain. High blood sugar levels prevent healing, meaning those with diabetes can suffer consequences from exercising.
 - **Find a friend**. It can be hard to work up the motivation to work out, especially when you're doing so alone. According to one study, 95% of people who start a weight loss program with friends complete it, compared to 75% who chose to work out alone.
 - **Join a Yoga class**. Studies show taking a yoga class leads to fewer depressive symptoms no matter if you work out once a week or five times a week.
 - **Lastly, keep a log**. Exercise, no matter the type is a key factor in preventing cancer. Unfortunately, those with diabetes, especially type 2, are at a higher risk of developing various cancers. If you hit the gym, mark it down, along with the type exercise you perform.

Information extracted from ActiveBeat originally published on Feb.11, 2020 and updated Feb. 26, 2020.

*submitted by Lion Russell Chase
36 G Diabetes Awareness Chair*

WE SERVE!

Humor in a Starbucks Bag

Hi Folks. What a day! Don't tell our daughter, but Cathie and I escaped from our home today. Our goal was that much desired cup of Starbucks coffee. We knew it was drive through only, so we weren't too frightened. When it was our turn to order I thought I would have a little fun with the barista taking the order. You probably know by now nothing is ever "ordinary" with me.

I pleasantly ordered a cup of coffee and when she asked if there would be anything else, I calmly ordered a "roll of toilet paper". After a slight hesitation, she asked "what did you say?" Again there was a pause and she laughingly asked me to pull forward.

Now this is the hilarious part. When I finally arrived at the takeout window, the store manager was standing behind the server at the window. After she handed me the coffee, the manager asked her if I was the customer who ordered the TP. When she answered "yes" he pulled out a Starbucks bag from behind him and handed it to me. Shaking his head he said this was a first for the drive up window. Smiling he said the 2 rolls of toilet paper are on the house. The staff standing behind him all were laughing and had smiles on their faces.



By far, my most favorite drive up experience. Ha,Ha 😊

*submitted by Lion Dane A. Parreira
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“Spring Fling” Raffle

Everyone would like to hear “You Won,” but in reality you can only win if you enter. Because of Covid-19 and the stay at home order, the Springfield Lions are trying to get out the word about our upcoming raffle any way we can.

Springfield Lions are selling tickets for a RAFFLE to benefit Candlelighters and Courageous Kids. Who are these benefactors, and how do they help our community?

Candlelighters – This organization helps children who have cancer. The Candlelighters Organization supports the entire family every step of the way, from diagnosis, through treatment; they also help by providing programs such as emergency financial support, an annual family camp, monthly activities, and bereavement help and assistance.

Courageous Kids – This is a grief support program for youth (ages 6 to 17) and their families who have experienced the death of a loved one.

To support these worthy causes, members of the Springfield Lions Club are selling raffle tickets for \$ 5.00 each or five tickets for \$ 20.00. Prizes for the winners will be awarded at our regular weekly meeting at Roaring Rapids Pizza Company, at 12:30 pm on June 1, 2020.

The purchaser of the winning ticket **need not** be present to win. There will be a maximum of 2500 tickets sold.

Purchases can be made by credit card on our secure Facebook web site (Springfield Lions Club – 36R Oregon), you can contact a Springfield Lion personally (President Henry Miller at 541-554-5958 for assistance), or you may send a check with your order to: Springfield Lions Club, P.O. Box 625, Springfield, Oregon 97477. You can also look up: <http://raffle.springfieldlions.org> or if you are on facebook <http://facebook.com/springfieldlions>

submitted by Henry Miller

‘Spring Fling’ Raffle



Grand Prize:

\$1,000 Gift Card



Springfield Lions Club

Serving our community for 70 years providing:

- School scholarships and vision screening
- Eyeglasses and hearing programs
- Camp sponsorships (Diabetes, Hearing and Visually impaired)
- City Park Enhancements
- Community Service, Food Programs and more

Where there's a need, there's a Lion!

All net proceeds from this raffle will benefit



Candlelighters
For Children With Cancer

And other community projects

Special Thank You to our Sponsors!



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1st Prize: Romantic Coast Getaway

2 nights in Yachats, plus a “dinner is on us”
\$150 Visa card.
Stunning Yachats accommodations, with a
beautiful deck and beach view.
(Total value up to \$675)



2nd Prize: \$500 Visa Gift Card

Donation by
Major Family Funeral Home



Other Prizes:

- 3 Prizes of a Fred Meyer Gift Card (\$50 value ea.)
- Eugene's Flower Home \$75 Gift Certificate
- Roaring Rapids Pizza Company \$50 Gift Certificate
- 3 Prizes of a Fleece Throw (UO, OSU, or Gray, size: 60x72, \$100 value ea.)

Prizes to be awarded at our regular

Monday meeting at Roaring Rapids Pizza Company
12:30 pm June 1, 2020

\$5 each – or five tickets for \$20

Entrant need not be present to win. 2,500 tickets maximum to be sold.

<http://raffle.springfieldlions.org> <http://facebook.com/springfieldlions>

Spreading a Little Christmas

Note: Due to technical difficulties, this story never made it into an earlier issue.

The Eugene Downtown Lions Club 12th Annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus was once again a success. The breakfast was held Saturday December 14 from 8 AM until Noon at the St. Thomas Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall and served many hungry guests. The Hall was busy most of the time with Lions, their guests, and other hungry patrons. The menu this year was the usual pancakes with syrup, sausages, eggs, cocoa, and coffee. There were holiday treats and baked goods available for sale from Mrs. Claus' kitchen.



(l-r) Teri Yerton & Diane Landon at the ticket table.



Lions Jim & Sharon Newton's granddaughter Phoebe takes plates of food from Lion Ed Gear in the kitchen.



Youngsters having fun making their own Christmas cookies.

This was a wonderful family affair with Santa's helpers assisting kids with putting frosting and decorative sprinkles on their own Christmas cookies. Members of the Downtown Lions Club flipped pancakes, rolled sausages, and scrambled eggs to prepare the meal. The servers were family members of Lions and their friends. Santa and Mrs. Claus were, as usual, a big hit with the youngsters and adults alike as they gave candy canes to the children.

Raffle tickets were sold for 5 kids' bicycles this year which were graciously donated by Lion Walt "Babe" Curtis, Gino and Norma Barbisan, and Sharon and Jim Newton. A free helmet was given with each bicycle.



Phoebe kept busy serving the food to the guests.



(l-r) Karen Norton assisted by Bob Hixson pick the winning tickets.

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Cheer Early in the Year

Lion Karen Norton and Lion Bob Hixson picked out the winning tickets. The bicycles were won by 1) Vlisses Arciga, 2) Sophia Garcia, 3) Elena Diaz, 4) Paisley Irvin and 5) Johannes Vogel.



First bicycle winner Vlisses Arciga with his mother.



The Third bicycle winner Elena Diaz with her mother.



The Fifth bicycle winner Johannes Vogel with his mother.



Santa and Mrs. Claus posed for family pictures.



Everyone enjoyed the great food and friendly atmosphere.

Thanks to Lions Karen Norton and Jim Origliosso for their great effort in organizing this event and to St. Thomas Episcopal Church for allowing us to use their facilities again this year.

Special thanks to all Eugene Downtown Lions, especially the Santa Committee, Kat Chinn & family and friends, Lochmead Dairy, Ye Old Pancake House, Original Pancake House, Vet's Club of Eugene, Lions Tom McCann, Jim Origliosso, Norma Barbisan, Babe Curtis, all of the great Lions Elves, our wonderful volunteers, all of the Lions who worked so hard setting up, cooking, selling tickets and baked goods, and cleaning up afterwards, and of course Santa and Mrs. Claus. A job well done! The event made a profit of over \$1,000.

submitted by Tim Chuey
Publicity Chairman, Eugene Downtown Lions Club

Bill Miller Guest Speaker at Elgin Lions

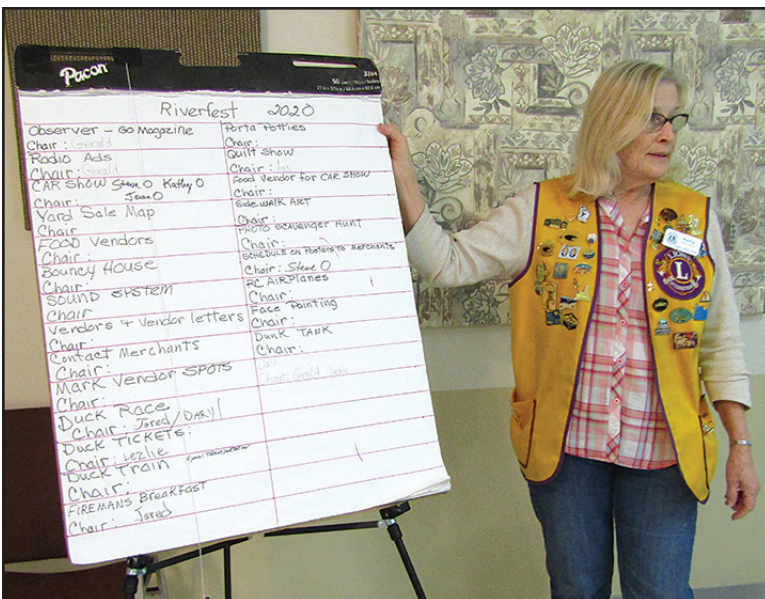


Bill Miller answers questions from the Lions

Bill Miller, candidate for Union County Sheriff, was a guest speaker at the Elgin Lions Club. Miller, a graduate of Elgin High School, served in the US Air Force, volunteered for the Union County Search and Rescue, served as an Elgin ambulance driver and in the Elgin rural fire Department, was an Elgin Police Reserve Officer, a Sheriff Reserve Deputy, and currently is a Sargent of the Union County Sheriff's Department. Miller answered many questions from the Lions including viewpoints on gun carry issues, drug prevalence in the area, funding for the Sheriff's office, re-instating the Reserve program and if a new jail should be built in Union County.

In other action, Sight and Hearing Chair Keith Warren indicated that the year has started similar to the previous, with requests for 5 pairs of glasses to date. The Lions also heard of the success of two trailer loads of emergency supplies sent by the Elgin Lions. The second trailer was taken to Pendleton by Lions David Fuhrman and Lynn Knapp. President Kathy Oliver noted that the club is still receiving donations to stencil the large trailer with the Lion insignia. To date, \$1,300 has been donated for the project.

Lion Bob Thomas posed a trivia question to the group regarding who was the youngest member of the club. Lion Jared Rogers came up with the answer that it was Elma Jean Wilhelm, who would be 20 years based on Leap Year. Elma was then presented a bouquet of flowers by Lion Bob.



Bob Thomas presents a bouquet to Lion Elma Jean Wilhelm

President Kathy Oliver outlines committee assignments in preparation for Riverfest held in June

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Please, allow compassion to guide you on this journey.

WE ARE NOT IN THE SAME BOAT ...



I heard we are all in the same boat, but it's not like that. We are in the same storm, but not in the same boat. Your ship could be shipwrecked and mine might not be. Or vice versa.

For some, quarantine is optimal. A moment of reflection, of re-connection, easy in flip flops, with a cocktail or coffee. For others, this is a desperate financial & family crisis.

For some that live alone, they're facing endless loneliness. While for others it is peace, rest & time with their mother, father, sons & daughters.

With the \$600 weekly increase in unemployment some are bringing in more money to their households than when they were working. Others are working more hours for less money, due to pay cuts or loss in sales.

Some families of 4 just received \$3400 from the stimulus, while other families of 4 saw \$0.

Some were concerned about getting a certain candy for Easter, while others were concerned if there would be enough bread, milk and eggs for the weekend.

Some want to go back to work because they don't qualify for unemployment, and are running out of money. Others are enraged at those who break the quarantine.

Some are home spending 2-3 hours/day helping their child with online schooling, while others are spending 2-3 hours/day to educate their children, on top of a 10-12 hour workday.

Some have experienced the near death of the virus, some have already lost someone from it, and some are not sure if their loved ones are going to make it. Others don't believe this is a big deal.

Some have faith in God and expect miracles during this 2020. Others say the worst is yet to come.

So, friends, we are NOT in the same boat. We are going through a time when our perceptions and needs are completely different. Each of us will emerge, in our own way, from this storm. It is very important to see beyond what is seen at first glance. Not just looking, actually seeing.

We are all on different ships during this storm experiencing a very different journey.

Compassion is key.

Let it be your guide.



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THANK YOU

Greetings OLSHF Board, Staff & Friends,

We wanted to provide an update on what is happening with your Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation as we near the end of our fourth week of social distancing in the wake of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Oregon Schools Closed For Balance of School Year

Last week, Oregon Governor Kate Brown announced that Oregon public school will not reopen this school year, meaning OLSHF's School Vision Screening Program will not screen more students until next fall.

With vision screenings curtailed, we'll end the year having screened 181,000 students during the 2019-2020 school year. This is over 300% of the number of students that we used to screen as little as six years ago, so it is still a significant number of students and something to be proud of. We are now scheduling vision screenings for the 2020-2021 school year and the schools that had their screenings scheduled will be given priority for dates this Fall.

Thank You to Corvallis Lion Fred Hirsch

Sadly, long time Corvallis Lion Fred Hirsch passed away in 2019. A quiet man at times, Fred is remembered for being "a real life Yoda, a quizzical man.. with the most surprising abilities" Corvallis Lion Skip Volkmann tells us.

Fred also had the ability to leave a legacy. This week we received a six figure bequest from Fred's estate, a timely gift in lieu of current circumstances. OLSHF's policy for bequests is to invest these funds in the Foundation's long term investment funds at the end of each fiscal year, providing that revenue has exceeded expenses for the year. If not, the Board may designate to use some or all of the bequest to offset a deficit.

For those not aware, the Foundation does provide at no cost an Estate Planning Guide and also offers free estate planning consultation with Gene Christian, one of the premier estate planning professionals in the NW. Please let me know if you are interested in any of these resources.

OLSHF Webinar Program

A key to staying sane and healthy during this era of Stay at Home is keeping connected to others. The Foundation has kicked off a series of weekly informational webinars. The first was on April 23rd with a Lions Eyeglass Assistance Program (LEAP) webinar featuring Kelly Asbra and Katie Warren of the OLSHF Optical programs.

OLSHF webinars take place on Thursdays at 11:00 and are also be available through our website if you missed it. You still have time to register for the next two in our four part series:

- May 7th - Patient Care and Mission Cataract - Kerith Vance
- May 14th - OLSHF Town Hall - Doug Thompson & Staff

The webinars are open to anyone to participate - Registration information is posted on the OLSHF website and on our Facebook page.

2020 Keep the Promise campaign

We ask that now, more than ever, - if you are able to do so - that you take some time to support our 2020 Keep the Promise Campaign by doing the following:

- Make a KTP donation OR join or renew your PRIDE participation
- Share the KTP videos on your social media platforms when you see or receive them

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THANK YOU continued

- Email the KTP videos to friends, family, and fellow Lions and encourage them to make a gift
- Let us know if you are willing to help with the 2020 KTP Campaign by taking part in a virtual KTP Telethon

We've shared the first in a series of 2020 KTP Videos, this one focuses on our partnerships in Lane County and how we "keep the promise" of addressing blindness and hearing loss for people in need in that part of the state. Find those videos on our website.

Thank you for helping us Keep the Promise - and Thank you for being a part of our special organization. We'd like to say that by staying distant now, we hasten the day that we can be together again.



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- Sharon Rollins (PRIDE member since 2017)

We Serve, Even Now

Excerpt From A Letter Received From a Parent This Month:

"Last year my 3rd grader came home from school with a paper stating that she (didn't pass) her (vision screening).

I figured there must be a mistake, as she had never complained about her vision before...I brought her to see an optometrist and...sure enough she needed glasses!

I didn't have a clue that she didn't see clearly. When she first put her new glasses on she was jumping for joy and saying that everything was so clear.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for this wonderful service that you provide to our community!!"



Talk about Service - and Keeping The Promise! Rockaway Lion Terry Bowman chauffeured one of our Patient Care recipients to Portland recently for the monthly injection to address her macular degeneration. Thanks Terry!

Council Chair-Elect Voting to go Online

Greetings fellow Lions-

With the cancelation of the MD 36 convention in May, the election of our 2021 Council Chair-Elect will have to be done online this year. The Lions in Wisconsin have been using a program/website called "Electionrunner.com". They have been happy with it, and following a successful test election ballot sent out to some of our Lions leadership, it will be the way we run this online election.

The process will start with a letter being sent via the US mail to each of the club secretaries. This letter will inform the club of the number of voting delegates that their club is entitled to based on the membership numbers on April 1st of those who have been members of their respective club for a year and a day.

This next step is the key to a successful election!! Given their club's number of delegates, the club secretary will need to email me, Jim Vincent, the Credentials Chair, the names and email addresses of their club's voting delegates. While Electionrunner will notify us if an email address is rejected, I ask that the club secretaries be very careful to give me correct names and email addresses. The email address to where the delegate information is to be sent will be md36election@msn.com. I will then input these names and email addresses into the database.

When the election is launched, each voter will get an email from Electionrunner that includes their own unique clickable link to log in and vote the Council Chair-Elect ballot. The voter can vote using their phone, tablet, or computer simply by clicking on this link. They vote, hit the send button, and Electionrunner tabulates their secret ballot. Election runner then provides us with the results. **No one** can see how any of the voters has cast their ballot.

The Myrtle Creek Lions Club has sent a letter of Nomination endorsing DG Bob Chaney for Council Chair-Elect. It was received by Council Chair Sharon Rollins and Executive Director Vince Bishop. It was read by Council Chair Sharon Rollins at the last Council of Governors Meeting.

Here are key dates regarding the election:

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| Mon. April 26 | Delegate Letters go out via USPS to club secretaries. |
| Sun. May 10 | Delegate names and email addresses due to Credentials Chair Jim Vincent. |
| Mon. May 18 | Voting begins at 6PM with Electionrunner emailing ballots to delegates. |
| Thurs. May 21 | Voting Ends at 6PM. |

If you have further questions about the election and its process, feel free to email me at md36election@msn.com.

Thank you,

Lion Jim Vincent, MD36 Credentials Chair

PHOTOS FROM MULTIPLE DISTRICT 36

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District O Lions gathered on February 29th in Hillsboro to share information, learn more about what other Lions Clubs are doing in their communities, and to simply enjoy each other's company. Over 100 Lions were in attendance.



Can anyone identify what Lions Club is pictured in this photo from the 1960's?

Hint: They are known for their BBQ Chicken wagon!



Did you know that MD-36 Lions collect, on average, over 110,000 pair of eyeglasses each year, dispensing over 40,000 of them worldwide? If your Lions Club has eyeglass recycling boxes located in your community, this is a good time to be sure to let OLSHF know the locations so they can list them on their website.



“If we can stay distant from each other now, we can be back together in Lions fellowship more quickly!”

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It's never too early to begin recruiting future Lions! Portland Bentham Lion Bert Diamond was able to give his best pitch to Greylon Torgerson at District O Convention in February.



Fran Camacho-Silbernagel and Sharene Nolan enjoyed the camaraderie at January's District R Convention at the OSU Alumni Center in Corvallis.



Bruce Schnieber of the South Salem Lions helps a student get into place at a school screening in Salem earlier this year. "We love working with the high school kids," said Bruce. "They're very impressed with the technology that the Lions have."



Dr. JP Lowery of Pacific University coordinates the Lions Low Vision Clinic for Oregon students with disabilities. Oliver had his exam earlier this year, one of about 125 children that are seen by Dr. Lowery each year.

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How many Lions can you name from this photo, taken recently at the Oregon State Capitol?



Rockaway Lions went above and beyond to help local resident Christine with successful cataract surgery at the Devers Eye Institute in Portland recently.



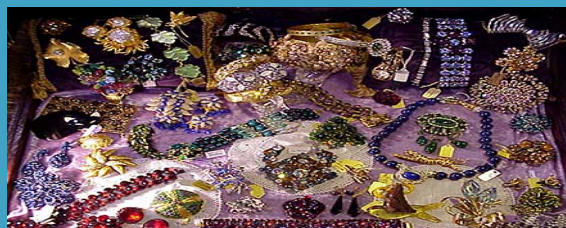
Tracy Brown of the Portland Legacy Lions Club brings collected clothing, jackets, blankets and other donated items for a community event.



William Temple House was grateful to receive collected food for their community pantry. Many Lions Clubs and volunteers continue to support those in need through their local food banks.



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HUGE Used Jewelry Sale!

From modern to collectible to vintage to watches to crafter bags. Over 2000 items **priced to SELL**

Why:

To raise money for our vision and hearing programs

Who and Where:

Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center
228 North Holly St, Medford, 97501 (near downtown)

What else:

Bring in your used jewelry to donate for next year's sale

