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Central Lions Club - Friendly, Kind and Committed



(I-r) PDG Steve Moser, Debbie Bach, DG Lynn Coon, Sharon King, Mike Ward, Cal Hudspeth, Timm Cable, Dori Showell, new Lion Jordan and Walt Sinclair.

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Eugene Downtown Lions Where There is a Need "We Serve"



 (I-r) Kelsey Duman, Director of Operations, accepted a check for Gales Creek Camp.
PDG Chuck Blanchard (center) worked on the camperships that the Club funded. President Karen Norton on the right.

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Lion Rick Wolf and his bags of trash collected after just 2 hours. See Story Page 22

Pendleton Lions Deliver Cookies



Risa Riggen, Sherri Sievert, Roxanne Hanel, Bill Morris, Craig Hylton and Teresa Degan.

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MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

May

- 7 Dist R Cab. mtg. 10-12:30, location TBD
- 14 Dist E Cab. mtg. 10am, Myrtle Creek Community Center
- 20 OLSHF Trustee mtg. 9-noon, Hilton Garden Inn, 3528 Gateway St., Spfd., OR Council of Governor mtg. 1:30, Hilton Garden Inn, 3528 Gateway St., Spfd., OR
- 21 MD36 Convention Hilton Garden Inn, 3528 Gateway St., Spfd., OR
- 23 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ noon
- 28 Dist G Cab mtg. 10-1, Texas Bob's Steakhouse in Rufus

June

27 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ noon

EVENTS

May

- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline for June issue
- 20 OLSHF's Lions Celebration, 7-8:30pm at Hilton Garden Inn, 3528 Gateway St., Spfd.

June

- 6 Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 4100 Cherry Ave. Ne @ 6pm
- 10 The Oregon Lion article deadline for July-August issue
- 25 SOLSHC's Community Vision Clinic from 9am - 1pm.

April Magazine Corrections

 p. 9 SOLSHC's Community Vision Clinic set for May 14, 2022 is now taking place on June 25, 2022 from 9am-1pm

Club Officer Reporting Form (aka Form PU101) Due to LCI by May 15, 2022 Please prioritize getting this completed and submitted to LCI as is critical for MD36 annual directory to be completed

ANNIVERSARIES

May 2022 marks the anniversary of another year in Lionism. It's great to be a part of a network of Lions who are recognized as the greatest service organization worldwide! Indeed, your club continues in the excellent tradition of service and pride under the banner of Lionism.

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

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Let's culminate this year with positives:

Positive One. The convention season is drawing to a close and will culminate this month with the Multiple District convention in Springfield. I am so pleased with this multiple district for having made each of the four single district conventions successes. And as we put the mask mandate into the rear view - we put the finishing touches on the last of the individual district conventions the last week in March with District E's and International Director Ken Ibarra and his companion Amy Fink.

It was a lot of fun and a good turnout as well. Thank you all for making that happen. It's great to see clubs emerging from under the pandemic and once again meeting and getting back into our communities.

Positive Two. Now as we turn to the multiple district convention there has been a lot of consternation because up until just recently we had no location but that has been put to rest. Also, as we scale it back to just two days, well really one day and an evening, we have moved the OLSHF Trustees meeting and the Council of Governors meeting to Friday, May 20, beginning at 9 a.m. with the trustees and following at 1:30 p.m. with the CoG. I am really looking forward to having International Director Justin Faber with us for the convention as our International guest.

Positive Three. As a part of the convention and continuing with our theme of We Serve we are asking that as a service project for the convention that everyone attending please bring a box or bag full of non-perishable food which will be donated to a local area food bank to aid in their fight against hunger. No one should ever have to go hungry or experience food insecurity and we will do our part to try and make this a reality.

On a sad note, we were unfortunately unable to hold the Northwest Lions Leadership Institute in April because of poor response. We needed to have at least 15 registered participants and we were unable to get to that number. Although this is unfortunate, it's not a total loss. The leadership and executive committee of the institute has decided that there will be another attempt to conduct the training this fall, probably in October. So all of you that were thinking about the April training but had not committed, get your calendars ready and reserve some time in October. The official announcement of the date will come sometime in early summer.

Positive Four. I want to leave you with a challenge. That challenge is to talk to all of your members and find out what their needs are, be it financial or motivational, or whatever. Why? Because every year in May and June we see a huge exodus as clubs clear their books and the idea is to try and find out why members are wanting to leave and to try and alleviate the reason. We would really like to see every district finish with a positive net gain in membership, something that has not been accomplished in some time, but is very possible.

Think about it. All it takes is just one ask. Hmmm. I seem to remember a campaign a couple of years ago that was something like that. I think it was Just Ask. The worst that can happen is they say no. And let's once again take that one step further with Just Answer. I know that a lot of us have wardrobes madeup of shirts and hats and jackets and a lot of other paraphernalia that has the Lions logo on it. I know I do and almost every time I go somewhere I am asked about the Lions or the logo. That is where the Just Answer portion of the program kicks in. Hopefully you have that 30 second elevator speech on the tip of your tongue and are more than willing to share it with anyone.

Well my fellow Lions as they say that's a wrap and I hope to see you in Springfield in just a few days.

District O - Northwest - North Coast



District O Governor Column Doug Loose

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Welcome to Majestic May My Fellow Lions <u>Communication</u>

This seems to be a difficult subject for a lot of our clubs. What does communication look like and who are we communicating with? First and foremost open communication in our clubs is vital to our health and growth. Does your club have a newsletter? If not it should. This could be as simple as a quick email or text talking about what's going on this week in your club.

Are your club leaders in regular communication with all the membership? I know we at the district level try to communicate on a regular basis with emails and in person visits but we can't be everywhere. Our clubs are all doing service but is your club reporting this service on MYLION? If not, why not? If you are unable to perform this task please ask how we can help you, we do have a district administrator who is willing and very capable of helping you.

Is your club communicating with the public? Do you have someone at the very least posting to social media about the service opportunities that are going on? This is a very easy and surprisingly effective tool to bring in new members.

As we move into May the clubs that are busy doing service are growing and recruiting vibrant new Lion's to help. This is very exciting to hear -- keep up the good work! Has your club set any goals for service, LCIF donations and new members? You should as this is a great way to get motivated as a club and personally. If we Each One Reach One we can all catch our Limit.

Summer is looming and the fish are biting, take some time to get yourself out there and Catch Your Limit. Remember to teach someone what you know, to pass on all the secrets of catching the big one.





Talk to each other and report the service you've done.

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



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Hello Lions,

As we close in towards the end of our Lion's year there is so much we have accomplished, but still much to do. International President Lion Doug Alexander talks about service from the heart: By letting our passion shine through there is nothing we cannot accomplish. I believe the same thing. If we go out and show compassionate service, putting our hearts in action, taking care of our clubs, our members and our communities -- WE WILL GROW.

With our growth and engagement with our communities and our members we can support global causes. We can encourage new service ideas that can benefit us all. We have membership willing and ready to serve. We all feel good when we are serving and helping others. If not we would not of joined the largest service organization in the world. THE LIONS. Invite your friends, neighbors, fellow employees and change someone's life.

President Lion Doug Alexander wants to empower each Lion to serve from the heart.

- 1) Compassionate Service. Putting our hearts in action, prioritizing club and community health and safety, encouraging innovation and new service, and supporting our global causes.
- 2) Membership Growth and Engagement. Be ready to serve. Achieve new service through new clubs, invite a member and change their life, empower each Lion to serve from their heart.
- 3) Communication. Our connection across all levels. Listen to your Lions and share your success with your community. Communication is the key. Listen to our Lions, listen to our communities and then act. We have success stories every day of clubs and Lions serving and making a difference. Continue to serve, continue to invite and continue to change lives as you do so. I'm proud to serve with each of you as we are making a difference on this journey together.

Remember SERVICE FROM THE HEART. I Believe Lions Change Lives Today and Forever.

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District E - Southern - South Coast



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Where is your replacement? It's time for all of us to be replaced in our job. A new Lion's year is beginning. Have we mentored our replacements to do our job? Our legacy is not how well we did our job, but how well we mentored the people following us.

It is sad when I look at the reports of new club officers for the 22-23 year, they are not new, they are the same ones we keep reelecting every year. By Electing New people into these positions, we bring in new ideas and new prospectives on ways to accomplish our club goals. Most of these Jobs are not hard if we use the resources that we have available. We need to get over the idea that only I can do this.

I propose we all take someone under our wing and mentor them to do our job in Lions so when something happens there is some one who steps in, knows what to do and your projects get done and everyone takes a bow for a job well done.

Can you imagine a club where everyone in the club had a different responsibility every year? You wouldn't have Lions getting burnt out and frustrated, leaving the club. You would have Lions willing to take leadership positions because they would know that they would not be in this position forever.

As the old saying goes, everyone is replaceable. They may do the job better or not as well, but they will get the job done. So let's leave a legacy and leave our clubs a better place.



District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



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Lions hunt for food to eat. Lions roar to be heard as king of the jungle. Lions rest, sleep and hunt again. Lions (people) hunt for people in need. Then hunt for a way to fill that need. Lions (people) roar to be heard alright but for a good cause or a good deed done. Lions (people) don't live quite as simply as a lion. However, I believe we share a somewhat similar drive to accomplish as they do.

In visiting clubs I am amazed at how much is being done. Each club has their own ideas and ways of how each project or need will be fulfilled. You all are great Lions. Keep up the good work.

Two months and my term will be over. First Vice District Governor Cheri Jackson will then be your leader. She will do a fantastic job I'm sure. Hopefully there will be no catastrophic things happening to keep her from doing all the visits in person. That way she can see how you work as a club.

I must also add that I have met some really neat people this year and hope to keep up these new friendships.

BE A LION. BE GRRRRRRREAT!

DG Kathy Oliver

Central Lions Club -

The Central Lions Club was charted in 1938 and serves the communities of Monmouth, Independence and their surrounding areas. Two years ago the Club had some tough decisions to make: (1) to back off and stop our service during the Covid-19 pandemic; or (2) to keep serving in our community and doing the best we can. The board and members decided to keep serving and meeting however we could even though only a few people had even heard about zoom.



Central Lions honoring our flag and country.



(I-r) PDG Steve Moser, Debbie Bach, DG Lynn Coon, Sharon King, Mike Ward, Cal Hudspeth, Timm Cable, Dori Showell, new Lion Jordan and Walt Sinclair.





Tail Twister Sharon.



Lion Debbie Bach winning the drawing.

Two years later the Club is strong, serving and having a good time. There was a rough road for a while. The board stayed enthusiastic, the members continued to serve, and the fundraising continued. Central Lions have continued to give scholarships to high school seniors, continued to help the local food bank, and continued to do vision screening of our children. Central Lions help other non-profits and serve our communities' needs.

DG Lynn Coon congratulating sponsor Mike Ward and new Lion Jordan Steed.

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The keys to success are: an active board holding meaningful meetings, an active tail twister not just collecting fines but making the time fun, projects that involve members, being part of the communities, respecting other members even if there are differences in opinions, and having opportunities to serve.



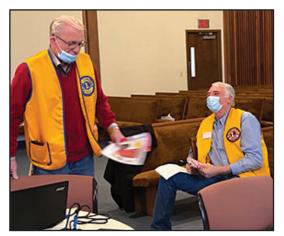
(I-r) Central VP Terry Cable and PDG Steve Moser screening kids.



DG Lynn Coon with Debbie Bach, Timm Cable and Cal Hudspeth.



(I-r) Central Lions Terri and Lee Croft answering letters to Santa.



Lion Walt Sinclair having some fun with President Timm Cable.



Secretary Dori Showell taking notes and running the zoom meeting.



Lion Mike Ward keeping detailed notes.

LIONS VISIONGIFT

Honoring Our History: Dr. Terry Burris



Continuing our "Honoring Our History" series, our latest YouTube video features Dr. Terry Burris, who was Lions VisionGift's Medical Director from 1986-1990, and has since served as Co-Medical Director. In 1986, under Dr. Burris' leadership,

Dr. Burris received his BS from Pittsburg State University and attended University of Kansas Medical School. He continued his medical education with a residency at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Oakland, California. Dr. Burris was a Cornea Fellow at the McGee Eye Institute in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Dr. Burris is the Founder and Medical Director of Northwest Cornea Services based in Tigard, Oregon. He has been an Eye Bank Medical Director since 1986 and is also a member of the Eye Bank Association of America Accreditation Board.

The Lions Quality Assurance and Vision Research Laboratory first opened its doors. It continues to flourish today by enabling many corneal transplant breakthroughs, improvements, and collaborations in eye banking. #SeeTheGift

To watch the video please visit - www.bit.ly/DrBurris

submitted by Matt Webber

Glory Cooper, Executive Director of Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center, is Retiring!



Dear Lions of MD36,

It is with mixed emotions that I am writing to announce that, after 10 years with the Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center in Medford, I will be transitioning out of my role as Executive Director on June 30th, 2022. I leave on the best of terms with our volunteer Board of Directors, a stellar staff, and an incredible community passionate about the mission of saving sight and hearing.

I am extremely proud of all that the SOLSHC community has accomplished during the past ten years, and hold dear to my heart the relationships I've built during my time as Executive Director. I have been honored to serve as a leader for this incredible organization, and will always be part of the community championing this vital mission.

Please join me in wishing much success to Jae Lamar, incoming Executive Director as of July 1st, 2022. Jae can be reached at <u>solshc@riousa.com</u> or call 541-779-3653.

In service and with gratitude, Glory Cooper



Elgin Lion Receives 2 Special Pins

Elgin Lion Gene Hardy (center) receives the Gold 100 centennial pin and the Diamond Centennial pin from Secretary Jared Rogers and President Barbara Hawes.

Where There is a Need

Many times over the years when dealing with the public while selling raffle tickets for the Eugene Downtown Lions Club we were asked one particular question: "Where does the money go? "The first thing we said is that every penny that we collect goes back to people in our local area and that we have a committee that decides who qualifies to receive funds and how much they will receive.

Lion President Karen Norton in conjunction with the Club's Community Services Committee devised a way for the membership to see firsthand where the funds are going. It was decided to have all of the recipients of the grant money for this year attend the February 2, 2022 Club meeting as the program speakers and to have them personally receive their check and explain to the members exactly what their organization will do with the money. After lunch and the Club's business portion of the meeting concluded the recipients addressed the Club's members.

The first check for \$500 was presented to Teri Yerton, one of our Club members and a former Board Member for Olive Plaza. The funds are for the Olive Plaza In-home Library. Olive Plaza is a high-rise building providing affordable housing for seniors.



(I-r) Lion Teri Yerton receives check for Olive Plaza from Lion President Karen Norton.



(I-r) Sidney White receives check for Candlelighters from Lion President Karen Norton.

Sidney White from Candlelighters accepted a check for \$500, which will be used in their continuing efforts to help families get through the difficult times when a child is diagnosed with and being treated for Cancer.

South Willamette Valley Honor Flight representative Ed Bach received a check for \$1,200. The organization takes groups of U.S. military veterans to Washington, D.C. so they can see the various war memorials that have been erected in their honor.

Lane Senior Support Coalition was the recipient of a check for \$1,000. Terry Spencer accepted the check for the organization, which finds collaborative solutions to help Lane County low-income seniors maintain their well-being and independence.



(I-r) Lion President Karen Norton presents Terry Spencer with a check for Lane Senior Support Coalition.



(I-r) South Willamette Valley Honor Flight representative Ed Bach accepts the check from Lion President Karen Norton. **Continued on page 11**

"We Serve"

Kelsey Duman, Director of Operations for Gales Creek Camp, accepted a check for \$900 for children with Type-1 Diabetes. PDG Chuck Blanchard (center) has been our coordinator for the Club which has been providing funds for camperships for local area diabetic children for years.



(I-r) Kelsey Duman, Director of Operations, accepted a check for Gales Creek Camp. Lion Chuck Blanchard (center) worked on the camperships that the Club funded. President Karen on the right.



(I-r) Lion Len Calvert, who has worked with the Center for Community Counseling for many years, accepts check from Lion President Karen Norton.

The Center for Community Counseling received a check for \$1,500 to help in their efforts to help area citizens have a sense of peace, security, and stability that good mental health brings. Our own member Lion Len Calvert accepted the check for the organization which he has worked closely with for many years.

Rob Brunner with Angel Flight West accepted a check for \$1,500 that will help the organization provide private airplane flights for patients needing to travel longer distances to their medical appointments and treatments in Oregon when using ground transportation is not feasible. A volunteer pilot corps flies the patients to their destination and returns them home.

Director of Philanthropy for Community Supported Shelters, Heather Quaas-Annsa, and Todd Schneider, Grants and Contracts Coordinator, accepted a check for \$1,340 to help in their efforts to develop and provide safe camp structures and facilities for the homeless of the Eugene area. Lion Jim Newton (left) sponsored their grant application.

(I-r) Lion Jim Newton (sponsor) presents check to Todd Schneider and Heather Quaas-Annsa for Community Supported Shelters.



There you have the answer to where the money goes, but that is only part of what our Club does. Many members not only work on Club projects, but also volunteer their time to help those in need in our community fulfilling the Lions motto "We Serve" which is the goal of every Lion.

> submitted by Tim Chuey, Publicity Chairman Eugene Downtown Lions Club

District E Convention

Klamath Falls was the destination for the first "in-person" Lions District 36-E Convention in the last three years. Lions from throughout the district, Oregon and California were on hand to re-invigorate their love of Lions and to continue to follow our mission, "We Serve."

Members of District 36-E and many friends kicked off the convention weekend on Friday by gathering at Sidelines Pizzeria for an informal welcoming party with International Director Ken Ibarra and his wife, Amy. The Ibarras traveled from San Bruno, California and from the outset of the gathering, ID Ken and Amy impressed everyone with their passion for Lions Clubs and the work they do.



(I-r) CC Bob Chaney and ID Ken Ibarra as they enjoy the camaraderie (and pizza) with PDG Peggy Pickrell, PCC Gail Black and PCC Joyce Anderson.



19 Lions Gathered at "Sidelines" Pizza Friday Night.

Emcee Lion Tim Clinton kicked-off the Convention Saturday morning with introductions and a heartfelt moment of silence for the people of Ukraine and a prayer, both delivered eloquently by Lion Chaplain Barb Dehlinger. Todd Kepple, the Klamath Museum Director, provided a historical overview and slide show of the history of Klamath Falls Theaters. During their "hey-day," the theaters ranged from the early Houston Hotel (which unfortunately burnt down), through several theaters providing vaudeville to a celebration of Roy Rogers's birthday. Lion Jane Thomas then led us through the credentialing and nomination of individuals for upcoming offices. Lion Jan Slusser stepped forward and accepted the nomination for 1st Vice District Governor.

ID Ken Ibarra gave the group an update of the support Lions have been giving in Ukraine and Eastern Europe. ID Ken serves on the International Technology Committee and communicated some of the recent efforts to upgrade the security of all of its members. He encouraged individuals to attend the upcoming International Convention in Montreal. Our District was offered a presentation and PowerPoint that he recently put together for new Lions.

During the second morning session, DG Steve Brewster emphasized membership and drew the name of one Lion who would receive a paid registration for the upcoming MD36 Convention. Lion Dan Hawkes delivered a presentation of 25 ways in which Lions Clubs can have a positive impact on the environment. The environmental impact on the land and people's health was supported by statistics shared by Lion Dan.

Glory Cooper from SOLSHC (Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center) introduced an incoming new leader, Jae Lamar. Lion Jae has already made a positive impact in doing patient care and developing a website and informational posters for the center.



ID Ken Ibarra, his wife Lion Amy Fink, DG Stephen Brewster, his wife Cheryl, CC Bob Chaney and PID Sonja Pulley.



(I-r) Jae Lamar is introduced as the new director of the SOLSHC by outgoing director Glory Cooper (who is retiring in June).



Danny Hawkes (pictured at left with ID Ibarra) also received an international award.

During the lunch session, Doug Thompson and PCC Brad King from the OLSHF shared updates from around 36-E. They relayed success stories including the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility, ROAR program and school vision screening around the state. The annual "Parade of Checks" then occurred with several clubs from throughout the district giving the foundation support.

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was a Roaring Success!!

The afternoon session began with Pat Kolbet provided her expertise in how to best manage your yards for water conservation by planning the areas and using drought resistant plants. She also emphasized using organic mulch for gardens and fertilizing lawns and spreading bark mulch that is at least 2-3 years old. Pat noted that watering and taking care of your trees is a longer-term investment versus watering your lawn.

Jenn Brewster, Becky McGuire and Melissa Clinton's "Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse", helped prepare the attendees for any future natural disasters. They gave tips for evacuation including but not limited to: having your important documents ready; taking pictures of your pets and any other valuable belongings; having a supply of food (protein is important) and water for at least 72 hours; bringing medication and a few hundred dollars in cash with you; and making sure your gas line and main electricity are shut off.



Yesterdays" Venue.



(I-r) PCC Gail Black and Jerry Gomez and being voted as trustees for the District; and Lions Jan Slusser and Paul Novak taking on the roles as 1VDG and 2VDG respectively.



Lion Danny Hawkes presents "25 Ways" to impact environment.

Their presentation also included preparing to be stuck in place during a crisis. Having drinking water (e.g. water heater, toilet tanks, filling a bath tub, etc.) They provided everyone with a list from FEMA outlining things to consider for an emergency supply kit. FEMA also has an app which will notify you in case of a natural emergency in your area. They modeled vests with multiple compartments and suggested a face mask/shield.

ID Ken Ibarra was introduced at the evening's festivities by PID Sunny Pulley who praised him for his enthusiasm and ability to develop deep friendships quickly. He reflected briefly on the last two years which have been impacted greatly by Covid and the concern about keeping Lions involved. Some of his efforts included giving struggling clubs ideas on how to best keep individuals connected to Lions. He joined several of the clubs as an associate member and worked with them to develop projects that would impact their communities. From that, a network in Northern California Lions Clubs was developed that started by gathering socks and this program then progressed into helping the homeless.

During the award's segment of the meeting, John and Marrianne Baxter were honored with International Award's for their work with their local club, the Brookings-Harbor Lions. Danny Hawkes also received an International Award for his service in developing new programs and completing professional development during several Lions' meetings and conventions. DG Stephen Brewster then announced that the baskets and raffle netted over \$900!

The final segment included nominations, presented by Lion Jane Thomas, which resulted in Jerry Gomez and Gail Black being voted as Trustees for the District and Lions Jan Slusser and Paul Novak taking on the roles as 1VDG and 2VDG respectively. A big "thank you" to the staff at "Yesterdays Plaza" for the wonderful venue and excellent food.



Brookings-Harbor Lions John and Marrianne Baxter accepting their International Director's Awards.



ID Ibarra's wife, Lion Amy Fink, shared good spirits with PID Sonja Pulley at "Sidelines".

submitted by DG Stephen Brewster

LCIF News

When LCIF decided to create Campaign 100, it was determined that world wide we could raise \$300 million to serve the needs of some 300 million people. The campaign is set to conclude this coming June. As we approach the end of Campaign 100 and strive to achieve our \$300 million goal, we need your help! We look to members like you to lead the way to a successful completion of this historic campaign to not only meet our goal but to assure our foundation's future.

Here are three ways you can help:

1. Encourage clubs in your area to adapt to this changing world.

Lead members in efforts to find new ways to raise campaign funds, partner with LCIF, and provide meaningful service to communities.

2. Consider Model Club status for your home club, donations of \$100 per member in a year's time.

Clubs committing to become Model Clubs today now have three additional years to meet their financial commitment. If your home club is not a Model Club, please ask the club to consider becoming a Model Club. We currently have only three clubs in our Multiple District that have achieved this goal.

3. Make a personal gift or increase your gift to LCIF.

Giving is a form of service. Lions are the biggest supporters of LCIF and Campaign 100. Your personal support is truly important! Become a Melvin Jones Fellow or add to your Progressive MJF goals with a \$1,000 donation or pledge.

We appreciate your consideration of committing to the next level or beyond. Please keep in mind that lead and major pledges are **payable over 5 years**, and previous contributions to Campaign 100 count towards the fulfillment of a new pledge. Every pledge and gift is greatly appreciated by not only those in need, but by Lions leadership and your fellow members - Lions who will follow your example.

To add to this goal, I, PCC Paul Zastrow, your MD LCIF Coordinator will have my beard shaved off at the MD36 Convention by PDG Mary Lee Turner and an assistant. Donations are gladly accepted, via mail or in person at the Convention – let's see what Paul looks like beardless for the first time in 15 years! Thank you again. Together, we serve!

submitted by PCC Paul Zastrow, MD36 LCIF Chair

Past District Governor's Association

The PDGA will be presenting a Celebration of Life Ceremony at the MD36 Convention. Our 2021 Ceremony was presented remotely and represented deceased Lions through May 1, 2021. This year will be from May 1, 2021 until May 1, 2022. The MD36 Convention schedule is not available at this time, so please stay-tuned to find out when the Celebration of Life will take place.

Sunday morning we will hold an in person PDGA breakfast meeting. We have a few business items and elections to cover. PDG Linda Stent is running for President and PDG John Taylor is running for Vice President. If there is additional interest we will include your name at the meeting. Both positions are a two-year term.

A special thank you to our Secretary-Treasurer, PDG Red Rowley, for bringing us up to date with the new State regulations and for getting our accounts in order.

I look forward to being with all of you.

La Grande Gun Show Returns

[Story reprinted with permission. Printed in *The Observer,* March 9, 2022 by Alex Wittwer, EO Media Group.]

LA GRANDE — The La Grande Gun Show, hosted by the Island City Lions Club, is returning for the first time since the pandemic.

"We're excited to have a gun show. We haven't had one since 2019," said Kayla Hansen, the director for the event. The two-day gun show will run from Saturday, March 12, to Sunday, March 13, and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the Blue Mountain Conference Center, 404 12th St., La Grande. Lunch and breakfast will be served, as well as beverages provided by PepsiCo.

Hansen is taking over for her mom, Shelia Evans, who passed away last year. Evans was the president of the Island City Lions Club and had organized the gun show after the death of the event's founder, Mike Voss.

"She didn't have a chance to do it again," Hansen said. "She loved helping anything in the community and bringing the community members together, and she was super outgoing and she was always so busy. This and Hog Wild Days were her biggest events."

The gun show will be dedicated to Evans. Hansen said that a slideshow featuring Evans will be shown at the Lions table, along with pictures and posters on display. For Hansen, organizing the event gives her a chance to follow in her mother's footsteps, though she said it has been hard.

"It's been extremely difficult. I only helped her a little bit with it," she said. "And so, not only trying to figure out how to run a gun show — and there's so many rules — she had such a reach with the community and was so invested in it, that it was easy for her to find the sponsors and the vendors and volunteers."



Shelia Evans waves from the Island City Lions Club pig train during the Cove Cherry Fair parade on Saturday, August 21, 2021.

Community support has been strong, though, according to Hansen. Sim Shot, the simulated gun range on Island Avenue, donated a \$300 gift card for the raffle. Caddie Ink, a tattoo parlor in Island City, donated a \$300 gift card as well for the raffle.

Money raised from the event goes back to the community through the Island City Lions Club, Hansen said, with services such as eye exams and hearing aids, as well as Thanksgiving and Christmas food boxes and gifts for local families.

Attendance to the gun show has been strong in previous years, with as many as 1,500 attendees perusing the firearm selections. Hansen said that she expects a smaller turnout this year due to the pandemic. She said the vendors and sponsors have been very supportive during the difficulties in organizing the gun show.

"It's been a challenge for sure," Hansen said, "and then there's the memories that come along with doing the things she did."

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins Oregon Lion May 2022 15





Join Us May 20th For A Lions Celebration!

Phyllis Carlin Board Chair

How would you like to:

- Unplug from Zoom meetings?
- Get together in person with Lions friends from around MD-36?
- Celebrate being #1 in the U.S in Lions school vision screenings?

If any of those look and sound good, do we have a party for you:

It's a Lions Celebration in Springfield!

If you haven't heard yet, the MD-36 Convention is on for May 20 and 21 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Springfield. We promise you won't want to miss the **Lions Celebration** planned for Friday night from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. This special **Lions Celebration** will feature a delicious dessert, presentation of the 2021 Lions KidSight "See Clearly" Award to MD-36 Lions, a ceremony honoring some amazing Lions from around the Multiple District, and a few surprises.

Lions KidSight USA Award to MD-36 Lions

Kicking off the **Lions Celebration** will be Past International Director Dr. Ed Cordes, the Chair of LCI's Lions KidSight USA alliance, by presenting the 2021 "See Clearly" award to the Lions of MD-36 for



their dedication and success of screening more students for vision health issues than any other Lions Multiple District in the United States. Yes, we REALLY are #1!!!

OLSHF Hall of Fame Celebration

The Lions Celebration will continue by honoring those that were inducted into the OLSHF Hall of Fame the past two years when in person events didn't take place. MD-36 Lions will celebrate the accomplishments of service from:

2020 Hall of Fame Inductees: Bev Thoman, Hood



Doug Thompson Chief Executive Officer

River Lions (Posthumous); **Brad King**, Tualatin Lions; **Dr. Mark Terry**, Devers Eye Institute 2021 Hall of Fame Inductees: **Ted Carlin**, Crooked River Ranch Lions (Posthumous); **Bev Bridgewater**, Hermiston Lions; **Hank Calhoun**, St. Helens Lions; **Ron Scheurer**, RJS Acoustics

Information will be provided on how to submit a nomination for 2023 OLSHF Hall of Fame consideration!

Lions Eyeglass Assistance Program (LEAP) Celebration!

We'll also celebrate the fact that MD-36 Lions have at their disposal the world's first charitable optical finishing lab -- and that OLSHF partners with MD-36 Lions to manufacture and provide high quality, low cost eyeglasses for those in need in Oregon and northern California.

The LEAP Celebration will feature a special guest that YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS as well as a special gift for all Lions that are in attendance. PLUS, some Lions will show off their eyewear fashion made possible through OLSHF's **Eye Promise optical shop**, and we'll learn how **Eye Promise** makes it possible for more Oregonians to see the world around them.

If you're an Eye Promise customer, be sure to attend and pack your Eye Promise frames!

Where Do I Stay?

There are multiple hotels that are within a very short distance of the Springfield Hilton Garden Inn - if needed, here are some lodging options:

- Hilton Garden Inn (541) 736-3000
- Quality Inn & Suites (541) 516-1250
- La Quinta Inn & Suites (541) 746-8471
- Comfort Suites Springfield (541) 746-5359

We hope to see you at the Lions Celebration on May 20th!!!

GIFTS & MEMORIALS

Contributions list includes gifts received in March and April. OLSHF values all of our donors and we do our best to recognize each and every gift. To help us maintain accuracy in our recognition, thank you for letting us know of any errors on our part by calling or emailing us at Info@OLSHF.org.

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Please find our complete list of PRIDE members online at www.OLSHF.org/pride

Let's mingle! OLSHF's got your 2022 social calendar covered

		May 20 - OLSHF Trustee Meeting - Hall of Fame Celebration May 21-22 - MD-36 Convention Meeting	JUNE June 4 - OLSHF Trustee Retreat June 23 - Keep The Promise Day on KATU
col	BOGO Buy 1 Get 1 Cet 1	Eye Promise Optical will host a Trunk Show at the 2022 State Convention! Visit us there and bring your valid eye prescription to get your new frames!	OREGON LIONS Sight & Hearing Foundation KATU20 On Your Side

August 19-29 - Scramble for Sight Virtual Tournament August 22

- In-person golf tournament

Tickets & information: www.olshf.org/golf



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October 22

Annual fundraiser Gala: "A Halloween Ball"

THE OREGON LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

A HALLOWE'EN

OCT 22, 2022 | 5:00 PM

THE SENTINEL HOTEL

www.OLSHF.org/gala

Keep the promise and join our PRIDE!

At OLSHF, joining our PRIDE program is a way for donors to make convenient **monthly gifts** to sustain our sight and hearing saving programs. 100% of your donation funds directly support programs like student vision screenings, eyeglass and hearing aid assistance, as well as surgeries and treatments. Most of our PRIDE members elect to donate a **small amount** each month. Not only does this provide help to those who need it the most, but it ensures your foundation **continues to save the sight and hearing of those in need**. Learn more or join today:

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Russ Chase

Bend Sunrise Lions Club PRIDE member since 2016

"I've seen all the care that has been made possible through the funds donated through the PRIDE and looks of happiness as they received glasses/hearing aids, etc. from the OLSHF."

"Will you help me keep the promise that Lions made to Helen Keller and continue your monthly donations or begin to donate to PRIDE? You'll be glad you did, I know I am."

SCHOOL VISION SCREENING UPDATE

OLSHF has conducted **560+ events** this school year, with over 50 more on our schedule. We've screened **over 135,000 students** & anticipate screening another 20,000. The **referral rate is at 15.8%** currently, which corresponds to over 21,000 students! Because of our higher referral rate, we're on track to refer more students than any other year!



Lake Oswego 8th-grader, Collin Hanada is District 36-O's

"Peace is when people can co-exist and treat each other well despite their differing beliefs" ~ Collin Hanada



Collin Hanada 36-O's Peace Poster Winner!



(I-r) DG Doug Loose and Collin Hanada.

Accompanied by his proud parents, Michael and Alyssa Hanada, Collin Hanada recently attended the Oregon Lions District 36-O convention at the Astoria Performing Arts Center where he was recognized for his participation in the Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest.

"WE ARE ALL CONNECTED" was the theme of our 2021-22 Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. Lake Oswego Lions Club sponsored two art classes at Lake Oswego Junior High School ("LOJ").

"Collin is in 8th grade student at LOJ who has loved art since he was a toddler. He enjoys hiking, video games, soccer, drawing and playing with his two dogs. The experience of participating in the poster contest has been fun and helped build his confidence in his art. Thanks so much for giving him this opportunity!" says his mom, Alyssa.

> Collin's amazing, detailed creation depicting Atlas carrying a heart-shaped world and images of the many elements of and places on Earth including the Seven Wonders of the World all connected by strands of DNA took first place in the Studio Art Class's competition among 13 participants for which he was awarded a certificate of achievement and a \$50 prize from the Lake Oswego Lions Club. Not only did it win at the local club level but also at the Oregon Lions District-level and Collin was congratulated for his winning poster again as DG Doug Loose presented Collin with the District prize, a \$100 check, and the winner's certificate.

> "For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring this very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity. It was my honor to recognize Collin Hanada as our District-level winner this year. What a wonderful, unique, opportunity for Lions Clubs to help our communities! We can encourage all the youth who participate and recognize the winners and the adults who lead them. It's also a great way to publicize our Lions Club and Lions Club International." said DG Doug Loose.

"We absolutely can and do make a difference!" said Lake Oswego Lion, Bonnie Roeder, District 36-O's Peace Poster Contest Chair. "In Lake Oswego, it has been our pleasure to sponsor the art classes of Art teacher, Debora Owen, M.S., M.A.Ed., who has for several years wholeheartedly embraced the LCI Peace Poster Contest and turned it into a class project for her students." Mrs. Owen recently commented, "I sincerely appreciate the help of Lake Oswego Lions Club this year in making this wonderful Peace Poster project a success. It's so important to help young minds understand the power of peace and how WE ARE ALL CONNECTED and can work together to make our world a better place."

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Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest Winner

On a final note, said Roeder: "Congratulations, Collin, and thank you!"



Michael Hanada, Alyssa Hanada, Collin Hanada and 36-O Peace Poster Chair Bonnie Roeder.



Lake Oswego Junior High School's Art Teacher Debora Owen.

Collin's prize monies will allow him to buy as many art pens as he would like! I say that because a wonderful little side story came to light during this project/competition. There was another wonderful peace poster created by Collin's classmate, 8th grader, Cheng Qiao. Cheng's poster was a favorite among the entries but had to be disqualified because he turned 14 on October 19th (He was 27 days too old to qualify). As they were working on their posters, Cheng helped Collin by loaning him his pens and giving him some pointers. What a wonderful demonstration of peace and connection! And then, before leaving the event in Astoria, Collin handed his extraordinary poster to me to use as an auction item to raise funds for future Peace Poster Contest sponsorships! A copy will be made and used for that purpose later this year. The original will be returned to Collin and his parents."

The 2022-2023 contest theme is "**Lead with Compassion**". Children know how powerful compassion can be. They're often able to express this feeling more openly than adults. This year, young people ages 11-13 are invited to explore and visually express the peaceful future that compassionate leadership brings. The Lake Oswego Lions Club along with the other 33 clubs in our District, and the more than 48,000 Lions clubs around the world, are planning to sponsor the Lions International Peace Contests in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups in 2022! If you lead a group of young artists in this age-range and would like to participate, please contact us.

Learn more about the LCI Peace Poster Contest at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/ youth/peace-poster

For more information about Lake Oswego Lions Club visit our website at https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/lakeoswegoor/index.php

submitted by Lion Bonnie Roeder, 36-O Peace Poster Contest Chair H 503-655-1538; C 503-729-3335 bonnieroeder@comcast.net

NEW DATE~~ Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center's 10th Annual "Recycle for Sight" Community Vision Clinic!

The next Community Vision Clinic will be held June 25th from 9am to 1pm. District 36E Clubs are welcome to fill a bus with potential clients and bring them to The Center in Medford. Just let Glory know in advance, please. Call 541-779-3653 or email <u>solshc@riousa.com</u> for more information.

Referred from word of mouth and 40+ local agencies and businesses the message was out about the Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center's vision clinic. Volunteer optometrists, opticians, community members, 20 Lions and Center staff worked clients through the stations, set up like a mission trip, to end up in the "Happy Room" where clients then get dispensed a pair of glasses that match their prescription. Numerous grants throughout the past 8 years have added to the ophthalmology equipment inventory used at the clinics. The Center pays a fee to rent an autorefractor from OLSHF.

"These community vision clinics are a great service opportunity for Lions Club members. They gladly give up their time on a Saturday to really make a difference in a person's life," states Glory Cooper, Executive Director of The Center in Medford. "Additionally, the quality used eyeglasses donated by the Southern Oregon residents stay right in the community to assist those in need. We now have 8,500 pair of eyeglasses on hand for use at the annual clinics making for exact matches for clients. Our match rate is 97%."

submitted by Glory Cooper, Executive Director Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center

The Dalles Lions Help Cleanup

Once a month from April through October a Community Cleanup is held in The Dalles. This project was started a couple of years ago by Lion Rachel Carter. Each month they focus on a different part of town. This year it started a little early and on March 12th Lion Rick Wolf helped out and collected 4 bags of trash in 2 hours. The Dalles Lions sponsored the clean-up in October of last year and we also helped The Dalles Rotary Club in September and provided extra volunteers.



Lion Rick Wolf and some of the trash.



Lion Rick Wolf and his bags of trash collected after just 2 hours.

submitted by Mike Kilkenny

Pendleton Lions Deliver Cookies

Lion Jan Stewart began this tribute by making and delivering cookies. The Pendleton Lions Club took up this project. Initially the project included Police and Fire Departments from Pendleton and the Umatilla Reservation, Oregon State Police and Crime Lab and the Umatilla County Sheriff's office. This year the Pilot Rock Police and Fire Department were added.

We had work parties to bag the cookies.





(I-r) Craig Hylton, Teresa Degan, Jim Smootz and Bill Morris

(I-r) Risa Riggen, Sherri Sievert, Roxanne Hanel, Bill Morris, Craig Hylton and Teresa Degan.



(I-r) Wild Bill Morris and Teresa Degan.



Sean Degan (right) delivering to Officer Daugherty of the Umatilla Tribal Police Department.



Teresa Degan (center) delivering to the Umatilla Tribal Fire Dept.

Delivery to Pilot Rock Fire Department: (I-r) Risa Riggen, Reilly Miller, Tom Fitzgerald, Rindy Watson, Captain Craig Beers and Craig Hylton.



(I-r) Lion Russell Chase with Lauren Olander, Chief Development Officer, of the Ronald McDonald House.

Pop Tabs Collected at District 36G Convention for the Ronald McDonald House

During the District 36G Convention several clubs brought pop tabs to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. 60.5 pounds were delivered to the Ronald McDonald House on March 15, 2022, by members of the Bend/Sunrise Lions Club.

The staff of Ronald McDonald House - Bend appreciated the donation and wished to thank all the District G clubs involved for their efforts to collect so many tabs.



(I-r) Tina Haskell, Guest Services Director, with the Ronald McDonald House, Lion Russell Chase, MD36 Pediatric Cancer Chair PDG Gary Mose and Sue Mose 36-G Cabinet Secretary.

submitted by Russ Chase, Bend/Sunrise Lions