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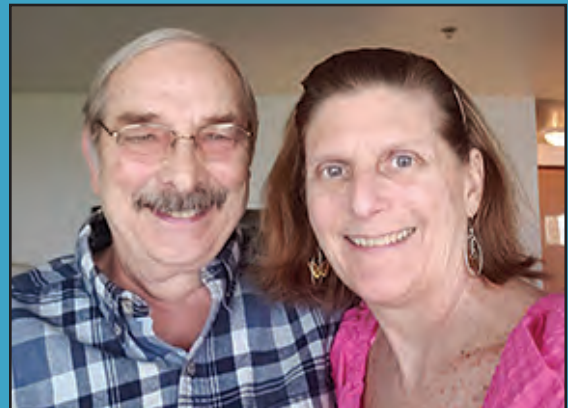
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Hull Foundation & Learning Center Cheers to 60 Years!



(l-r) Sandy Lions Randy and Monica Butler (new Executive Director of HFLC).

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Sutherlin Lions Stay Busy!!!



Sutherlin Lions 2022 Installation.

Front Row l-r: Chuck Fisher, Carma Fisher, Carol Swesso, Bertha Egbert, Emily Blakely, PDG Carol Brink and Richard Giardini.

Middle Row l-r: Lanette Denney, Pam Cameron, Gwen Best, Sharon Elliott and Guest Beverly Wilson.

Back Row l-r: Jason Washburn, Stewart Fowler, Doug Brink, Jon White and Mary Regan.

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MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

September

- 13 Dist G Cab. mtg. 10am, Bob's Steakhouse in Rufus
- 26 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ noon

October

- 31 SOLSHC Board mtg. @ noon

EVENTS

September

- 5 Labor Day observed - HQ office closed
- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline (for October online issue)

October

- 3 Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 4100 Cherry Ave. NE @ 6pm
- 10 The *Oregon Lion* article deadline (for November issue)
- 15 White Cane Safety Day
- 22 OLSHF's Halloween Ball, The Sentinel Hotel, Portland, doors open at 5pm and Costumes are Encouraged!

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ANNIVERSARIES

September 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.

September

Portland Hollywood	September 12, 1928
Enterprise/Joseph	September 9, 1929
Central	September 2, 1938
Ashland	September 13, 1938
Stayton	September 15, 1938
Silverton	September 27, 1938
Prineville	September 20, 1938
Keizer	September 15, 1950
Bandon	September 15, 1951
Albany East	September 27, 1951
Rockaway	September 12, 1955
Jefferson	September 28, 2009
Portland Legacy	September 25, 2014
Redmond Sunshine	September 24, 2016

October

Klamath Falls	October 14, 1927
Myrtle Point	October 5, 1928
Roseburg	October 12, 1928
Forest Grove	October 15, 1946
Lake Oswego	October 16, 1946
Milwaukie	October 28, 1948
Springfield	October 10, 1950
St. Helens	October 10, 1955
Jordan Valley	October 13, 1970
Wallowa	October 15, 1973



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Our name change was announced at the Lions International Convention in Montreal, Canada. We are now: Lions International. The acronym, LCI, will remain in use. LCI is a common phrase and internationally associated with Lions. However, Lions International it is!

Throughout MD36 we are moving forward, helping local clubs with service projects and membership. Our four District Governors are on the road making visitations. In the process, they are also inducting new members and motivated by your various service projects and ideas.

Club Presidents, when you receive the call from your District Governor, try to schedule their visit to accommodate their schedule and as timely as possible. They have a lot of area to cover. Your District Governor will also be bringing new ideas and suggestions to help you serve your community. They have suggestions for increasing membership, new service projects and ways to just have fun.

MD36 has a District Governor who raises and trains horses; a District Governor with two dogs; a District Governor with two jobs and a cat; and a District Governor devoted to Ducks (??) ! Our Governors come from varied backgrounds and experiences; however, they are united in helping you and your club move forward with Lions International.

Together We Can!
CC Judith L Poage

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- p. 27 Under Hunger Relief Dist. O's rep is now Nathan Burmeister of Portland Legacy Lions ~burmeisternathan@yahoo.com
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- p. 35 Under Public Relations/Lions Info please add Tom Hilgers, PDG (Paula) - Salem West
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- p. 97 ADD Moore, William (new Secretary for Bend/Sunrise Club), 19001 Pumice Butte Rd., Bend, OR 97702. C) 831.252.3510 and his email is surf2ns@gmail.com
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- p. 104 Studer, Steve has passed.
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District O - Northwest - North Coast



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As we enter the fall and 2nd part of our Lion year, I look forward to visiting with more clubs. Making connections with the clubs, club officers and Lions members creates opportunities for new ideas, collaboration and volunteer support for service projects and fundraisers. It is also fun to hang out with other Lions doing great work in our communities! I encourage our club Presidents and Secretaries to let the other clubs know about your activities. Also let District O Secretary Carrie know and she can share the information throughout the district. Invite another club or two or your whole zone to work together on a service project. Zone Chairs can encourage these collaborations by checking in with the clubs in their area to find out what the needs are. Smaller clubs may need their fellow Lions support to make a project happen. Each club has its unique strengths, interests, and projects that we can support and inspire each other with.

For this fall, I encourage all the clubs to connect with a service project related to diabetes. We have the Gale's Creek Camp and Hull Foundation and Learning Center right here in District O. Both of those organizations need Lions support from hands on volunteers to referring people to their services, and to support of fundraising efforts. As knights of the blind, Lions know that diabetes is still the leading cause of blindness. Consider an activity for White Cane Safety Day on October 15th. Hull Foundation has a work day and a walk coming up that you can participate in. In November Lions International will have a lot of material available regarding diabetes that you can share on social media or use at a community event or fundraiser to raise awareness of diabetes. In my zone we will be doing a diabetic food drive for a local nonprofit. So many options and ways to serve. Remember to share your stories with your community and in the Lion Magazine or send them my way so we can share what District O Lions are doing together for diabetes awareness.

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



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We started our year off right when all four District Governors and our Council Chair for 2022-2023 were able to attend the International Convention in Montreal, Canada. It was a busy week for all, and the four incoming DGs got to know each other better as we finished up our DGE Seminar. We also met most of our DGE Seminar classmates in our final two days of training. We got to experience our new International President's, enthusiasm, and energy firsthand – and boy does he have both in spades. I am looking forward to dedicating myself to his theme, "Together We Can" and beginning our District's Global Membership Approach (GMA) journey.

At the District level we have been focused on getting our club leaders trained and at the time of this writing we have accomplished getting 33% (goal of 60%) of them trained. Entering our third and final phase for training this year, the self-training, I feel that our goal is within reach. We have also been working at the MD36 level to secure a PR Grant for \$15k from LCIF, that all four districts are participating in, and will be focused on yard-signs, car magnet stickers, and coffee cup sleeves. This will allow us to advertise Lions in our communities with the intention of gaining new members and awareness of our great organization.

PDG Steve Moser, our LCIF Coordinator, is also back this year and has a new challenge for us to collect 250,000 nickels starting in August and going through October. We can bring 15% of those funds back to our District to fund local projects in our District. Last year's million pennies raised ~\$5,000 dollars and with other "Empowering Service" donations we will have ~\$1,500 and per Lion PDG Lynn's wishes this money will be donated to Heartfelt House in Eugene. This year we will be polling our members to see where we will donate the money for next year.

I have visited two clubs to date and am working on getting my other visits set up with the goal of accomplishing most of the visits by early October. So far, I have enjoyed meeting our fellow Lions and am impressed with the service that our clubs do as well as the variety based on their community's needs. I look forward to visiting each of our clubs, meeting fellow Lions, experiencing the incredible fellowship, and learning how I can serve our District this year.

District E - Southern - South Coast



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"You don't have to be great at something to start, but you have to start to be great at something." Zig Zieglar

District E held its first cabinet meeting in Klamath Falls on August 20 with a disappointingly small number of cabinet members present. As I visit the clubs in District E, I find that all are ready, willing, and able to get started once again in the aftermath of the Covid Pandemic, with service to our communities. I urge all of our Lions to revitalize the team spirit of the club and start making themselves visible in their clubs and their communities. Our Int'l President Brian Sheehan's theme this year is "Together We Can" with the focus on teamwork. A necessary part of the team effort is focusing on training and leadership within our clubs. This will instinctively lead to more "Service from the Heart", my theme for the year.

As Lions we research what our communities needs are, and do something about those needs. We do not sit around and do nothing, instead we take advantage of the opportunities around us to fulfill the needs in our community, then we make a start. Sometimes we can do it as a single Lions club working as a team, while other times we team up with other organizations in the community to achieve even greater results.

As we look at our four districts this year, we see the need for upcoming leaders to fill the roles of VDGs, as well as other key positions. We need these leaders to keep things moving, and leaders need training. There is a multitude of training programs available for every officer and cabinet position within our Lions organization. With that in mind, we have tentatively scheduled Northwest Lions Leadership Institute (NWLLI) for April 21-23, 2023. This 3-day training session offers seminars that will develop and enhance leadership skills. I am asking all clubs in every district to look at the personnel in their club. Every club has potential leaders, so take this opportunity to seek out these Lions and have them attend this institute.

DG Gail- "Service from the Heart"

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



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Hey Team!

We are off and running on our new Lions year. I am hoping to make it an eventful year for all of us. My first stop will be in Jordan Valley with many to follow.

We all love the time spent with other Lions and get great satisfaction from helping others in our communities. Keep up the enthusiasm, keep smiling and spread our goodwill to everyone in our communities. Look for new opportunities to serve and don't be afraid to think a bit out of the box. We do many things but can always find more places where we can help.

Let's build our membership by showing others how they can join and help to enrich their lives and our communities. Some may not be able to put on their boots and work but can bring in new fresh ideas. Listen to all members as they all need to have a say and be heard for the team to flow like a well-oiled machine.

Lions are the best volunteers in the world and part of the best team in the world! Keep your enthusiasm flowing!!!

DG Cheri
"Boot Up for Service"

Junction City Lions Have Successful BBQ!

Junction City Lions Club is known for their famous barbequed chicken. The Club has been serving up this delicious bird for approximately fifty years. We hold two chicken BBQ's a year: one in the spring (our most recent held on May 15) and one in the fall. The Club named the BBQ's after two members who have passed on, because between them they sold more chicken than any other members. (The BBQ's are the Jim Zemba and Ed Lack BBQ's.)

We sell 1,350 halves each BBQ with proceeds helping us with our sight and hearing program. When Covid hit we were not sure what to do to continue this project. After talking to our local high school we started a drive through pick up. Our customers liked this so much that we have continued the drive through ever since. They like the idea of not having to get out of their cars.



Left side: Duane Edmondson, JR Frankfurt and Clair Edmondson. Right side: Frank Taylor, Ryan Ceniga, Mark Inman and Justin Corey.



(Standing Lions l-r) Justin Corey, Arnie Anderson, JR Frankfurt, Mark Inman, Debbie Heller, Bob Bronson, John Reerslev, Ryan Ceniga, Jim Matthews, Dave Zech, Larry Leaton, Brad King, Frank Hall, DG Lynn Coon and Ken Wells. (Sitting and kneeling l-r) Frank Taylor, Cindy Solberg, Pat Baldwin and Margie Hall.

We have some great sponsors who support our lions in Junction City. We would like to thank Guaranty Chevrolet, Jerrys Building Supply, Dairy Mart Stores and Citizen Bank. If you have never tried our chicken be sure and do so cause once you do you'll never go back to the KFC.

submitted by PDG Lynn Coon and Bill Heller

Yachats Lions Are Back!!

After three long summer seasons of Covid, the Yachats Lions' Breakfasts are back. We had a small breakfast for about 100 community members on Memorial Day for all of us to relearn the process, but on July 4th we served over 300 members of the public. We also had some of our members take part as flamingos in the famous Yachats La De Da Parade.



Servers: (l-r) Donna Reed, Seth Schaffer (Jobs Corps), Shari Kiser, Charles Reed, Teresa Cayous, Ellie Garbina, Dan Medici, Gerald Stanley and PDG Judy Kauffman.



(l-r) Flamingos: Mike Stevens, Lori Stevens, Donna Reed and VP Charles Reed.

The Yachats Lions never stopped our service to others and have continued to earn money to support our local communities during these very difficult times. We never stopped interacting with the public and promoting service. While people stayed home early in the pandemic, many people went into housekeeping mode and donated to our Lions Thrift Store. We set up a receiving station in our club hall where items could be received and sit for a week before being sorted and priced. We still receive items there every Thursday although they now don't need to sit for a week. Items are priced and go to our thrift store which is open 3- 4 afternoons a week. Sometimes the club hall is also open.

With the dedication of many members and the high tourist visits to Yachats when people could not take a plane or go on a cruise, we have earned enough to donate back to the communities and the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. Our 2021 gifts amounted to over \$27,000 and our 2022 gifts were a whopping amount of over \$30,500. Our donations to the communities help support the food banks, the youth and family activities, the fire department, the library, others, and this year six scholarships.

As important as the donations, our Lions Club has also grown in membership: 17 new members since the beginning of the pandemic— with many of the new members being younger. They are active, dedicated and will continue the service to others for which Lions are known for.

Seeing the Gift in Action from Boston



During a recent trip to Boston, our CEO, Chris Stoeger, not only observed **Lions VisionGift** East staff process a DMEK tissue graft, but he then had the opportunity to see that tissue transplanted by our Co-Medical Director, Dr. Ula V. Jurkunas, at Massachusetts Eye and Ear.

These photos from his visit show the tissue processing, the post-processing quality check, and then the care in the operating room to transfer the tissue to the surgical field and begin the surgery. None of what took place in the OR could have happened without the generosity of the donor and the hard work to recover, screen, process, and distribute the tissue. We're so grateful for all the hard work done on every level. **#SeeTheGift**

submitted by Matt Webber

Elgin Lions Club's Fireworks Booth A HUGE Success!

The Elgin Lions had a record breaking sales at their fireworks booth this year. The total amount for the Club's coffers was \$3,682.00. Coupled with the success of Riverfest, the Lions will once again be able to assist with community projects throughout the year.

(l-r) Scott Ludwig and PDG Gerald Hopkins manning the fireworks booth.



submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

DG David O'Kelley Visits The Waldport Lions

On July 19, as the new DG of 36R, I had the pleasure of inducting three new members, installing the 2022-2023 officers (my first installation), and conducting an orientation on club structure and roles for the Waldport Lions. Two of their three club officers are new to Lions: President TiAnne Rios, one year, and their new club Secretary Lori Eaton, went from being voted in as a member, inducted, and installed all in one night.



(l-r) CJ Hill (Director), David O'Kelley (DG), Lori Eaton (Secretary), TiAnne Rios (President), Cheryl Stokes (Treasurer) and Florence Rios (Director).



DG David O'Kelley giving an orientation on club organization and roles.

The Waldport Lions represent a club with new impassioned members. Lions that are willing to take leadership roles and a cadre of long term members that are there to support them and the new ideas that they bring to membership and service. Lion President TiAnne and Lion President Kevin Yorks of the Yachats Lions are also both working to improve the coordination of their clubs to improve fellowship and service to the communities they serve in Lincoln County.

submitted by DG David O'Kelley – Together We Can

[This article first appeared in the *Hermiston Herald*]

Two Hermiston Lions Discover Similarities with Lions from Other Parts of the World

Lions Club International carries the motto “WE SERVE” on all its communications.

My husband Charlie and I are members of the Hermiston Lions Club. As we travel around Europe, we watch for signs of local clubs, usually found at the entrance to a community or posted on the building where they meet. We hope someday to attend a meeting and compare notes. Maybe the club will buy us lunch.

No matter, it’s another opportunity to see how we as Lions Club members and citizens of the world are more alike than different. Similarities between groups of people is something I am always interested in.



Hermiston Lion Charlie Clupny meets former DG Huselyn Cukir of Lauf an der Pegnitz, Germany for a tour of Lions Club Projects.

We have noted Lions Club signs in such diverse countries as Japan and Spain. With just a short time left on our current sojourn in Germany, we weren’t expecting to find any Lions Club activities. But an odd coincidence caught us by surprise.

Our arrival by train in Nuremberg, Germany, was delayed due to construction. We arrived almost an hour late. Meeting us was Bulent Babayigit, a Turkish actor, and someone Charlie met while walking the 1000-mile Camino de Santiago in 2018 to benefit CASA (court-appointed special advocates, another worthwhile volunteer opportunity).

Bulent was panicked because he couldn’t find us. But a connection through social media resulted in a joyous reunion. Outside the rail station, we walked across a parking lot to Bulent’s car. Charlie spotted a Lions Club sign. He enthusiastically pointed this out to his friend. Later, Bulent glanced at his phone to see he had a message from a gentleman who had just finished his term as the Lions Club district governor for this area of Germany, Huselyn Cukir.

Huselyn was so excited he came directly to Bulent’s home to meet us. Bulent had not talked to Huselyn for over a year. It was truly a coincidence that this was the day he chose to call. Getting to know someone from the context of a shared experience is a good beginning. Huselyn’s native language is Turkish, and he also speaks German. His English pronunciation was clear enough to be understood as we talked about our prospective clubs. I don’t know why I was surprised there is actually very little difference as it is Lions International after all.

Huselyn took us on a “Lions Club” scenic tour into the historic city of Nuremberg. He pointed out many Club and community projects: a food bank, a homeless shelter, and an eye doctor who partners with Lions and eyeglass collection. There were plaques listing the Lions Club along with other service organizations, local businesses, and individuals who donated to the restoration of many historic buildings. There was a lot of pride (pun not intended) in this club’s service accomplishments. A visitor to our local Hermiston club experiences the same.

Although we have many differences, the commonalities between Lions Clubs, and actually between human beings, are much closer than we think. I will carry fond memories of this spirit of hospitality shared with my husband and me in a faraway place by a fellow Member of Lions Club International.

We look forward to providing the same type of reception to visitors no matter how far they have traveled.

submitted by Carol Clupny

Cheers to 60 Years!

Hull Foundation and Learning Center (“HFLC”) is on a path of renovation and renewal and asking for the Lions of MD36 to be part of our enthusiasm as we enter our next 60 years of service to adults with sight loss and blindness. Our new Executive Director is Sandy Lion Monica Butler. Monica is married to Sandy Lion Randy Butler and has five children, 14 grandchildren and an assortment of dogs and cats as well.

The HFLC board members and staff are looking ahead to the fall with a Lions volunteer day at the park, a White Cane Day walk for diabetes and sight loss, and a December evening of desserts and festivities. Monica and the rest of the HFLC family want to renew our relationships with you and your Lions Clubs and make new connections to our programs and services for members of your community.

With your support we can continue to build and expand our programs and renovate and maintain our beautiful park space and facilities. Are you a carpenter, plumber, gardener, painter or looking for a new service project? We are looking for you! Know someone who is losing their sight? We are here to help! Call us at 503-668-6195 or email monica@hullflc.org.



(l-r) Sandy Lions Randy and Monica Butler (new Executive Director of HFLC).

submitted by DG Kerith Vance

Pendleton Lions Helped by SideSaddlers Bag Food for Pendleton Children

Once a month the Pendleton Lions Club helps Altrusa International Foundation bag food that is given to school children identified by school staff as needing meals on the weekend. On one of these Friday’s two of the Lions who usually help with this were not going to be there. Lions reached out to the Mainstreet SideSaddlers for assistance.



(l-r) Lions Risa Rigger, Alfred Wood, Theresa Degan and Sherri Sievert.



(l-r) SideSaddlers: Lavone Stevens, Sherri Sievert, Margurite Maznaritz and Pendleton Lion Risa Rigger.

submitted by Risa Rigger

Lake Oswego Lions Club has a Club Branch!



Lake Oswego Lions Vision Envoy Branch Club Lions (l-r) Jorie Liang, Kun Li and Alice Yang.

Wow! I've been impressed with these lovelies from the get-go when Jorie Liang (L) became our 2019-2020 Peace Poster contest winner! It was then that her mom, Dr. Alice Yang (R) took an interest in Lions and soon joined Lake Oswego Lions Club. I met Kun Li (C) when she volunteered to spearhead our Spring Food Drive in March of 2022!

They had already formed VisionEnvoy, a non-profit youth-run organization that teaches children and adults on how to use their eyes safely when studying, playing, or working. And now, we are so proud to have **LO Lions Vision Envoy Club Branch!** (Already 16 strong, including 6 adult members (18+), 8 teen Cubs, and 2 pre-teen Cubs.) Talk about "a shot in the arm"! I am feeling invigorated, already!

Blessings to all as together -- WE SERVE!

submitted by President Bonnie Roeder

What a Wonderful Day of Service!

Wow – when some of the Lake Oswego Lions and the brand-new Vision Envoy Club Branch of the Lake Oswego Lions walked into the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (LERC) on Saturday, July 23, the boxes of donated, used eyeglasses and more were filling up the warehouse! 12 of us got right to work sorting the contents of those boxes with Lion Tracy Brown to guide us in the process.

It was a new experience for the Vision Envoy young members – so many exclamations of "wow, look at this one" and "amazing that someone wore this frame." At the end of the morning, our gathered group had sorted 7,800 pairs of glasses into the "mixed and sunglasses", "Rx sunglasses" and "vintage" boxes, and loose lenses for use in manufacturing motorcycle helmets.

Several dozen hearing aids and many cell phones were discovered amid the piles of box contents. Cool air blew through the warehouse, lots of laughter and friendly conversation was heard. What a wonderful day of service, especially for our young Vision Envoy Branch Lions and Cubs!!



Front row (l-r) are Lions Mary Ann Grosword and Genevieve Ford. Back row (l-r) are Vision Envoy Cub Lion Chanel Liu and Grace Wang, Vision Envoy Lion Yali Jia, Vision Envoy Cub Lion Carol Wang, Lions Teddy June Smith, Dale Rollins and PCC Sharon Rollins, Vision Envoy Lion Kun Li and Vision Envoy Cub Lion Lucy Xu.

Thank you so much, Lion Tracy Brown, for the TREMENDOUS amount of work that you do for the OLSHF LERC project!

*submitted by PCC Sharon Rollins
IPP Lake Oswego Lions Club*

Hood River Lions Adopt Jackson Park

The Hood River Lions have invested funds and man power to improving Jackson Park in Hood River. The project undertaken this year was to construct ADA parking, seating and new concrete walkways. Jackson Park, located in the center of Hood River, is a major gathering place and generates crowds of over 2,000 for the Hood River Lions concert series called Families in the Park.



The stairway under construction. (l-r): Lions Mike Schend (chairman of the project), Greg Simpson and Jess Flem. The guys behind in orange are construction workers.



Staining the stage beams (l-r): Jess Flem, top right Greg Simpson and bottom right Mike Schend.



The new ADA parking spaces.

The park was not handicapped friendly, so the Club this year took on making the park handicap accessible. The park now has two handicap parking spaces for vans, special seating for eight wheelchairs right next to the handicap accessible restrooms and new concrete and blacktop paths. The club also added a concrete stairway from the parking lot into the park that includes lighted stairs steps. More information to follow on the Families in the Park concerts held all through August.

submitted by Mike Schend

Sutherlin Lions

Sutherlin Noon Club members were saddened by the recent unexpected death of Past Club President Dennis Denney at age 70. A dedicated community member, he is remembered as retired Chief of Police in Oakland, Oregon, and a lifelong volunteer fireman and EMT. Memorial services were conducted by Sutherlin Eagles members, and later by Sutherlin Lions Club as members were gathered for installing new officers. Lion Stewart Fowler officiated. PDG Carol Brink conducted the induction of new member Jason Washburn (son of Lanette Denney), and installation of officers.



Dennis Denney memorial.



PDG Carol Brink inducting new Lion Jason.
Lanette Denney's son (center).

Sutherlin Branch Lions have been giving cards to area businesses, churches and organizations as a token of appreciation for continuing community services through the tough times of the Covid pandemic. Lion Carol Swesso made a great selection of card designs. For each library volunteer, a special pin was added to their cards. Proceeds from a past Branch-sponsored bunko event went to help fund the library.

Sutherlin Lion Gwen Best was honored as Woman of the Year at the 66th Annual 1st Citizens Award Banquet sponsored in April by the Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce. She retired from military service and currently volunteers at the library and a long list of other worthy endeavors. Wish we could clone her!



Library Volunteer pin/card.



Gwen Best, Sutherlin Woman of the Year.

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Stay Busy!!!

DG Stephen Brewster visited the Sutherlin Lions at their April 19 meeting, having traveled all the way from Klamath Falls, Oregon. He distributed his special pins to all in attendance and gave acknowledgement to members having longevity. Honors went to Lions Stewart Fowler, Doug and PDG Carol Brink, Emily Blakely and Frank Morby.



(l-r) DG Stehen Brewster and Lanette Denney.



(l-r) Lions Heather, Carma, Carol, Gwen, Pam, Bertha, and helpers Makenna and Paisley.

Sutherlin Lions awarded \$500 scholarships to four high school seniors graduating this year. Scholarships are made possible through the collection and sorting of donated bottles and cans by members on a schedule of two times a day, 365 days a year. Several truck loads a year are redeemed at a depot in Eugene, with proceeds benefitting both the Noon and Branch Clubs.

Recycling cans & bottles =



submitted by Emily Blakely

"SEE AND
LEARN TO
THEIR FULL
POTENTIAL"



DOUG THOMPSON
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
OFFICER

Lions Go Back To School

As the air begins to chill and leaves begin to fall, the Oregon Lions School Vision Screening (SVS) program is up and running for what could be a record-breaking school year for the number of Oregon students screened for vision health issues.

With nearly 600 schools scheduled for an SVS vision screening event for the 2022-23 school calendar, it is projected that over 225,000 students will be



TOM HILGERS
BOARD CHAIR

screened for up to 11 vision health issues, using our "fleet" of Welch Allyn SPOT vision screening devices, Lions Club volunteers, and the coordination of SVS Staff members that are Lions Club members from across MD-36.

Together, we'll help Oregon students like Quinn, 11, of Newberg, see and learn to their full potential: "I'm doing well in school because I can see better. Thanks to the Lions", Quinn told us recently.

"If it wasn't for the Lions, she would have slipped through the cracks", Quinn's father, Chris, shared with us.

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Rest In Peace, Dianne Rush

It is with great sorrow that we say goodbye to Springfield Lion and SVS Staff member Dianne Rush, who passed away unexpectedly in August. Dianne was a wonderful part of our SVS Team and was looking forward to starting her second year as an SVS Staff member this fall.

Says OLSHF SVS & Technology Director Matt Phillips: "Dianne had a lot of enthusiasm for the SVS program. She was a sweet person who was enjoying her retirement, giving to her local Lions and her community. Before joining our team, as a Springfield Lion, she participated in most of our vision screening events in the area as a Lion volunteer for the last few years."

We ask that all Lions please keep Dianne and her family in your thoughts.

Support SVS With A Round of Golf

Those that knew the late Ted Carlin of the Crooked River Ranch Lions know that Ted really loved his role as an SVS Staff member...and he really loved golf.

Lions can pay tribute to Ted's passion for helping Oregon students see to their full potential by entering Ted Carlin Memorial Golf Classic and playing a round of golf on your local course anytime through September. Registration is \$100 and those participating receive an OLSHF polo shirts and other great golf swag. More info on how to participate can be found at [OLSHF.org/golf](https://www.olsfh.org/golf)

OLSHF Past Immediate Past Chair Phyllis Carlin: "Ted loved golf. And Ted would love it if he knew you were out on the course having a good time, supporting our Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation."

All proceeds from the Ted Carlin Memorial Golf Classic will support the School Vision Screening program during the 2022-23 school year.

For more info, please contact us at DougT@OLSHF.org



After 38 years of screening the vision of well over 1 million students, we still get excited to go back to school. The schedule is filling up quickly and our team is ready!



SAVE THE DATE!

If you join us this autumn you're in for a fright
In support of our programs, both hearing and sight
We're throwing a gala, a Hallowe'en ball
So to all witches, ghost, ghouls we say:

"COME, ONE AND ALL!"

A HALLOWE'EN BALL

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The graphic features several Halloween-themed illustrations. On the left is a cheerful pumpkin character with a smiling face, wearing a straw hat and having arms and legs. In the center is a tall, ornate grandfather clock with a glowing orange light inside. On the right is a witch in a red dress and black hat, sitting and holding a large carved jack-o'-lantern. Small black bats are scattered across the background.

Springfield Lions: WE SERVE!



PDG Lynn Coon addressing everyone.

On August 1, 2022 PDG Lynn Coon visited the Springfield Lions Club to assist in presentation of gifts to McKenzie Valley Long Term Recovery Group and McKenzie Locals Helping Locals. Both organizations were formed after the Holiday Farm Fire in the McKenzie River area in 2020. Springfield Lions Club raised money this year for each of these groups. Lions Henry Miller (President) and Judy Potter (Secretary) led the sale of raffle tickets as one of our primary fundraisers.



PDG Lynn Coon, Cliff Richardson (Vice President of McKenzie Locals Helping Locals), and Springfield Lions Henry Miller (President), Judy Potter (Secretary) and Lee Wacker.



PDG Lynn Coon, Devin Thompson (Executive Director of McKenzie Valley Long Term Recovery Group) and Springfield Lions Henry Miller (President), Herb DeVos and PDG Darrell Scott.

Cliff Richardson, Vice President of McKenzie Locals Helping Locals, accepted a \$2,000.00 check at this meeting. He expressed appreciation and said needs continue and their group stays busy attempting to aid families and prioritize distribution of funds.

Devin Thompson, Executive Director of McKenzie Valley Long Term Recovery Group also accepted a \$2,000.00 check from the Springfield Lions Club at this August 1, 2022 meeting. He said many families are still very much in need of assistance and acknowledged it is a slow process rebuilding after extensive losses from the fires.

Both groups participate in the “Unmet Needs Roundtable” in attempting to listen to needs and prioritize recipients of assistance. Richardson Media consultant, Danica Barrick, for the groups was also present.

Because of the holiday farm fire, there are many needs to be fulfilled. If additional information is wanted you are encouraged to contact McKenzie Locals Helping Locals or the McKenzie Valley Long Term Recovery Group.

submitted by Henry Miller

YCE Exchange Youth

Is the YCE Program Right for Me?

Are you ready to embark on a life changing adventure that will open your mind and heart? Are you curious about other cultures and ways of life? Do you want to develop your skills in a second language? Would you like to cultivate new friendships with individuals that have different backgrounds, beliefs, and customs than you? The Youth Camps and Exchange (YCE) Program may be the opportunity you are seeking. Contact PCC Paul Zastrow – pzastrow@gorge.net

Benefits of Participation

As a YCE exchange youth, you will:

- Live with a family in another country
- Meet people your age from around the world
- Learn about what it means to be a Lion or Leo in another country
- Deepen your understanding of yourself and the world around you
- Learn how to foster peace and understanding among peoples of the world



What to Expect

As a YCE exchange youth you can expect to be immersed in a unique cultural experience with Lions and Leo club members supporting your YCE journey. Your host family will treat you as a member of the family, expecting your engagement in typical daily routines and family meals. You will participate in social activities, possibly service projects and visit cultural places of interest. You are expected to familiarize yourself with the customs, expectations and basic language of the host country prior to your visit and have a desire to learn more.

Participant Eligibility

YCE Exchange Youth must:

- Be between the ages of 15 and 22
- Be sponsored by a Lions club
- Be ready to represent your community, country and the sponsoring Lions club
- Welcome the opportunity to explore the customs of another culture
- Provide proof of insurance (health, medical, travel) and a liability release agreement
- Take initiative to learn the language of the host country (i.e. basic greetings and phrases)

What are the Costs?

Local program costs vary from country to country. Financial arrangements for transportation may be paid by the Sponsor Lions Club, by the Exchange Youth, the Exchange Youth's family or a combination of these sources. Host Lions clubs cover the costs of room and board with a host family. Exchange Youth are typically responsible for:

- Round-trip airfare
- Camp Fees
- Health, medical and travel insurance
- Travel documents (such as passports and visas)
- Spending money

*submitted by PCC Paul Zastrow
MD36 Youth Exchange Chair*

International Understanding & Cooperation Is What We Lions are All About

Let me introduce you to a few of my friends. How about PCC Cliff Hocking from South Africa; PID Phil Nathan from England; PIP Brian Stevenson for Calgary, Canada; PID Rick Myers from Omaha, Nebraska; Silvio Maldonado from Peru; PID Ron Duffe from Wisconsin; PID Sunny Pulley from Portland, Oregon and PID Ed Gear from Eugene, Oregon.

Over the years I have worked with these great Lions, and it certainly was in the spirit of Understanding and Cooperation. Our third object of our purpose is "To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the World."

If you look further you will find in our code of ethics it is "To hold friendship as an end not a means. To hold that the true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one for another, but that true friendship demands nothing, but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given."

Wow – That is why I hold these friends near and dear and have worked with them all totally in a spirit of cooperation and understanding. If I had not joined Lions in 1967, I would not even know these wonderful people. Is that not one of the perks of being a Lion? Look around your club, your district, and Multiple District to see how many wonderful Lions you have worked with in that spirit. It boggles the mind. Governments and politicians only give lip service to most of this. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the whole World would act like that?

Every time I have worked on a Lions project, we always focus on what we can do and how many people we can serve. First, we try and understand it and then we cooperate in getting it done. PERIOD!!! It's not just this committee that Understanding and Cooperation means something to. It is our whole effort in every Lions project. It always makes my life a brighter place and it fires up my attitude in lots of other things. Someone once said, "It is great to be a Lion". Our New International President Brian Sheehan puts it like this "TOGETHER WE CAN"!

*submitted by PID Dennis Tichenor
MD36 Chair International Understanding & Cooperation*

Lions Quest? Just What is it?

Lions Quest is a program which is designed to create positive youth development for children in grades K-12. The program dates back to the mid-1970s. Its purpose is to help young people develop the skills and strength of character needed to succeed as adults. Lions Quest is divided into three parts: 1) K-5; 2) grades 6-9; and grades 10-12.

"*Skills for Growing*" is the K-5 program and focuses on social and emotional learning. The middle school program "*Skills for Adolescence*" involves health and prevention and leadership through service learning. "*Skills for Action*" focuses on the high school. It involved major community service programs throughout the year.

The International Youth Foundation began the program. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) gave its first grant to Quest in 1984. LCIF has supported Quest through grants and technical support. At the local level, LCIF has supported programs through grants to local Lions Clubs. LCIF purchased the program in 2002.

The question of costs to a local Lions Club often comes up. In Oregon, local clubs rarely spend dollars. There are LCIF grants that cover 75% of the costs. State endowments in Oregon support the other 25% of costs. Lions Clubs have partnered with local school districts, Educational Service District and local community organizations to sponsor Lions Quest.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

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Club Website Marketing Tip

Lions International offers a fantastic opportunity for every club to have their own free and easy to use website through their formatted setup at <https://e-clubhouse.org/>. Many clubs have taken advantage of it, and all should. But to make your website more connectable to your community through marketing, clubs should consider additionally registering their club name as a domain name to use for publishing and marketing. Once your website is created you can separately register a domain name and use the “domain forward” feature to link it to your website home page. So in our example, instead of using our actual website homepage URL <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/stayton/index.php> in our marketing(brochures, flyers, business cards, social media links, etc.) we can simply use our more user friendly registered domain name of StaytonLionsClub.org and get people to the same page.

Domain name registration is done online through third party services and with a yearly registration fee cost. I have used Yahoo Small Business services to register several domain names over the years. They are now becoming Verizon Small Business Essentials. There are other domain name service outlets available also that may provide domain registrations at a lower cost so you should search for the best service for you.

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Lake Oswego Lions at Guide Dogs Fun Day

On Saturday, July 30th, Lake Oswego Lions volunteers arrived at the Guide Dogs for the Blind in Boring, Oregon to cook lunch for its annual fundraising event. While labrador puppies (that will be trained to become guide dogs for people with blindness and other vision disabilities) were being introduced to their foster families on the front stage, the Lions served lunch in the back kitchen. Their effort made this collaborative event possible: under 100°+ Fahrenheit weather, volunteers cooked and served 50 pounds of onions and 300 burgers.



VisionEnvoy teen volunteers led by chaperone Alice Yang. (l-r) Alice Yang, Chanel (ShengYao) Liu, Kun Li, Lucy Xu and Carol Wang.



Dave and Katie Smith.



(l-r) Carol Wang, Lucy Xu, Kun Li and Dale Rollins.

Another fact worth noting is that young members of the Vision Envoy Club Branch joined the main club's senior members for the burger-making event. Middle and high school volunteers instantly became top-notch grill chefs under senior volunteers' guidance. As Bonnie Roeder wrote on Lake Oswego Lions' Facebook post, "The Lions circle of life [is] in action... Serve, Mentor, Lead, Serve, Mentor, Lead, Serve... and on it goes."



Teddy June Smith



(l-r) PCC Sharon Rollins and Chanel Liu.

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