

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS-REGULAR  
MEETING MULTIPLE DISTRICT 36-OREGON/NORTHERN  
CALIFORNIA

February 3, 2023 –at U of O’s School of Education Building, 1655 Alder St., Eugene  
Time: 1:00 pm

**Voting Council Members Present:** Council Chair, Judith Poage; Council Vice Chair, PDG Stephen Brewster; District Governor 36-O Kerith Vance; District Governor 36-R David O’Kelley; and District Governor 36-E Gail Black.

**Non-Voting Council Members Present:** 1VDG 36-O Edward Glad; 2VDG 36-E Paul Novak; Executive Administrator/Council Secretary-Treasurer, PCC Vince Bishop; Council Chair Elect, PDG Phyllis Carlin; and MD36 Executive Secretary Leah Malcolm. **Reference Attachment #1 for others in attendance.**

1. Call to Order: CC Judith Poage called the Council of Governors meeting to order on February 3, 2023 at 1:17 pm. The meeting was held in person only.  
Invocation was given by PDG Phyllis Carlin.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by PDG Stephen Brewster.  
Introduction of Guests: CC Judith noted there were no guests to introduce.
2. Additions to Agenda: None.
3. Approval of Minutes of November 19, 2022 Council Meeting. **Motion** made by DG Gail Black to approve the Minutes of November 19, 2022 Council Meeting. The **motion** was **seconded** by DG Kerith Vance. **Motion carried.**
4. Council Chair Report: CC Judith Poage. **Reference Attachment #2.**
5. International Director Report: PID Dr. Sonja Pulley, absent. No report.
6. Executive Administrator Report: PCC Vincent F. Bishop. **Reference Attachment #3.** PCC Vincent Bishop added that the first check on the grant to BuildASign was stolen for the yard signs and fraudulently cashed. He worked with Leah at the MD36 Headquarter’s office to get this resolved. She filed a formal police complaint with the Eugene Police Department and the monies have all been recovered. In the meantime, it was all covered by an anonymous donor.
7. District Governors Reports:  
District 36-O: DG Kerith Vance. **Reference Attachment #4.**  
District 36-R: DG David O’Kelley. **Reference Attachment #5.**  
District 36-E: DG Gail Black. **Reference Attachment #6.**  
District 36-G: DG Cheri Jackson, absent. No report.
8. Incoming Council Report: PDG Phyllis Carlin. No report.
9. Past District Governors Association: President: PDG Linda Stent, absent. No report.
10. Unfinished Business:
  - a) Awards, Honors & Contests. CC Judith said everyone received copies of the changes requested from Lion Paula. She requested comments from the Council, but no one spoke. PCC Vincent said she would need to come back to this as she couldn’t have a motion without comments.
11. New Business:
  - a) Constitution & Bylaws. PCC Bob Chaney noted that his report was submitted and in everyone’s packet. DG Gail Black moved to have this voted on at the MD36 Convention. PDG Stephen Brewster seconded. Request for discussion. DG David expressed concern that the version being edited was an older version and he felt we need to be making changes to the most current version. The 2015 version from Seaside was found

(and is on the MD36 website) and so DG David asked whether PCC Bob Chaney could make edits to this 2015 version with consultation from the members of his committee and get them to the voting members of the Council to look at. PCC Vincent Bishop agreed to reach out to Jim Vincent (Credentials Chair) and see exactly what had been ratified and when over the course of COVID things seemed to go a little sideways. That gives ample time for it be sent to clubs and supports the 60-days requirement to make any changes before it is voted on in Seaside at the MD36 Convention. DG Gail withdrew her motion and PDG Steve Brewster withdrew his 2<sup>nd</sup> of her motion. CC Judith referred this back to the Constitution & Bylaws Committee and called for a zoom meeting on March 12, 2023 at 6pm to discuss this further. This will allow for the 60-days requirement before it is voted on at the MD36 Convention. They are going to look into what was looking to be voted on and whether things were ratified. Jim Vincent will know this information. PCC Paul Zastrow also brought up some possible cleanup issues presented in 2020, 2021 and 2022 that were possibly ratified. Confirming with Jim Vincent will be important and PCC Vincent Bishop confirmed he would follow up on this. March 19, 2023 will be the deadline for this to be mailed out to the clubs in order for this to be voted on by the clubs for the MD36 Convention in Seaside on May 19-21, 2023 in Seaside.

12. Lions Vision Gift Report: CEO Report: Chris Stoeger, absent. **Reference Attachment #7.**
13. Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Report: PDG Tom Hilgers, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #8.** PCC Bob Chaney spoke and reported that May 3, 2023 will be Lions Day at the Capital to help us lobby for the Foundation and School Vision Screening by advocating for Senate Bill 276. Also, please join OLSHF in the celebration of 2023 Lions Keep The Promise Days. We're encouraging clubs to come up with a service project or social get together that can be done whenever and if the Foundation knows when your event is – they will help you promote your event so you can have a more successful event! It doesn't have to be a new project.
14. 15 minute break – was skipped.
15. MD36 Standing Committee Chair Reports:
  - Awards, Honors & Contests:** Paula Hilgers, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #9.**
  - Camp Representatives:** PDG Mary Lee Turner, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #10.**
  - Canine Services:** Dale Howard, Chair, absent. No report.
  - Constitution & By-Laws:** PCC Bob Chaney, Chair. **Reference Attachment #11.**
  - Convention Operating:** PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair. **Reference Attachment #12.** PCC Joyce spoke and said that the Convention Committee has met and things are going well. The State Convention will be in Seaside May 19-20, 2023 and PCC Joyce shared that the remodel is complete and the facility looks great. The OLSHF Trustee meeting will be on May 18, 2023 from 9-12 and will be followed by the Council of Governor's meeting at 1:30pm. All displays **HAVE TO BE OUT OF CONVENTION CENTER BY 10PM ON SATURDAY NIGHT.** Otherwise, we will be charged \$500. We also won't have a block of rooms available this time. We lost \$6,000 the last time we held one here because we blocked rooms and not enough Lions booked them. PCC Joyce asked for approval of the registration fee of \$140 per person. This fee will increase at midnight on April 28, 2023 to \$165.00 per person and the cutoff date for all registrations is May 12, 2023. Her second request was for a \$4,000.00 advance from the MD36 Convention Account to make sure we cover all expenses. **Motion** made by DG Gail Black to approve the \$140 MD36 Convention registration fee, which will have an increase as of midnight on April 28, 2023 to \$165.00 per person at which time it will go up to \$165.00 per person. The cutoff date for all registrations will be May 12, 2023. The **motion** was **seconded** by DG David O'Kelley. No discussion. **Motion carried.** **Motion** made by DG Gail Black to advance \$4,000.00 from the Convention Account to cover bills needed for the convention. The **motion** was **seconded** by DG

Kerith Vance. DG David O'Kelley asked how much money was in this fund. As of September, 2022, PCC Joyce said there was roughly 22,000 in this account. They just don't want to come to you later to ask for it. It will stay there until it is needed in May. **Motion carried.**

**Credentials:** Jim Vincent, Chair, absent. No report.

**Diabetes Awareness:** PDG Steve Lesetz, Chair, absent. No report.

**Disaster Response:** Charlene Larsen, Chair, absent. No report.

**Environmental:** PDG Phyllis Carlin, Chair. **Reference Attachment #13.** PDG Phyllis shared that she has 20 photos so far. She encouraged Lions attending District R's convention to take flyers she would be displaying to their clubs and encourage their members to participate. PDG Phyllis discussed the beauty of our rivers here in Oregon and suggested she may be coming to us soon with environmental projects related to our rivers.

**Finance & Budget:** Jeff Plummer, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #14.**

**Global Action Team:** CC Judith Poage, Chair. **Reference Attachment #15.**

**Global Leadership Team:** PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair. **Reference Attachment #16.** PCC Joyce added that the Lions Forum is coming up and is in Reno, NV, which is close. They do a strides walk for diabetes. Please consider attending as Reno is close to us and won't be this close again anytime soon. Website is lionsforum.org

**Global Membership Team:** PDG Dan Wolf, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #17.**

**Global Service Team:** PCC Sharon Rollins, Chair. **Reference Attachment #18.**

**Global Membership Approach (Was NAMI):** PDG Dan Wolf, Chair, absent. No report.

**Hearing Preservation, Awareness & Action:** PDG Red Rowley, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #19.**

**Hunger Relief:** Kathryn Otero, Chair, absent. No report.

**Information Technology:** Tim McGlothlin, Chair, absent. No report.

**International Participation:** Robin Stoeckler, Chair. **Reference Attachment #20.** Lion Robin asked everyone to let her know if you are going to Boston and need a scarf as we all wear them in the parade.

**International Understanding & Cooperation:** PID Dennis Tichenor, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #21.**

**LCIF:** PCC Paul Zastrow, Chair. **Reference attachment #22.** PCC Paul spoke and added we need to keep raising more money for LCIF!

**Long Range Planning:** PID Sonja Pulley, Chair, absent. No report.

**MD36 International Vision & Health Clinic:** OPEN. No report.

**Opportunity for Youth:** CHAIR: OPEN

**Leos:** Sharon Elliott, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #23.**

**Lions Quest:** PDG Jim Jagers, Chair, absent. **Reference attachment #24.**

**Peace Poster:** Carma Fisher, Chair, absent. No report. PCC Gail added she has all of the 4 displays here and will be setting them up. She also has ones to be returned to their districts and will get those handed out to people to make sure they are returned. Then, Kerith will take them to her Convention and so on & then will be returned to next year's Peace Poster Chair.

**Scouting:** Ted Yarosh, Chair, absent. No report.

**SMART:** PDG Carol Brink, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #25.**

**Youth Exchange:** PCC Paul Zastrow, Chair. **Reference Attachment #26.**

**Oregon Lion Magazine:** PCC Vincent Bishop, Chair. No report.

**Pediatric Cancer:** PDG Gary Mose, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #27.**

**Policy Manual:** Dale Rollins, Chair. **Reference Attachment #28.**

**Protocol/Parliamentarian:** Craig Urbani, Chair, absent. No report.

**Public Relations & Lions Information:** Carrie Bartley, Chair, absent. **Reference Attachment #29.** PCC Vincent Bishop spoke and said that all yard signs have been received and that the car bumper magnets should be arriving soon. The LCIF grant was for \$15,000.00 with each District contributing \$375.00 towards it for a total of \$16,500.00 Vince asked for the \$70 overage to be covered by the MD36 supplies account for the balance of the grant. The total of the bills came to \$16,570.00. PCC Vincent Bishop said these will hopefully help us not be such a secret organization. He asked for a motion to help cover this \$70 difference. *Motion* made by DG David O'Kelley to take \$70 out of supplies to get the grant account flush. The *motion* was *seconded* by DG Kerith Vance. *Motion carried.* PCC Vincent added that there is an additional \$5,000.00 from the LCIF grant that will arrive once all receipts are sent in to them. A big ROAR was sent out to Lions Carrie Bartley and Carol Swesso for their tremendous work on this!

**Sight Preservation, Awareness & Action:** PDG Mary Lee Turner, Chair, absent.

**Reference Attachment #30.**

**USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum:** PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair. **Reference Attachment #31.** PCC Joyce shared it will be in Reno, NV. There will be a lot of super informative sessions taking place.

#### **Ad-Hoc Committee Reports:**

**NWLLI:** OPEN. DG Gail Black spoke and said they need 20 Lions signed up in order to hold it. The next one is scheduled to be April 21-23, 2023 at the Sutherlin Community Center. She has applications with her. The Best Western has accommodations. As of now, 3 people are confirmed. Please push registrations as we need Lions signed up. Any questions about topics, etc. please email Lion Gail Black.

**Pin Trading:** PDG Bob Hoover, President, absent. No report.

**Pin Sales:** PDG Garry Charbonneau. No report. PDG Garry spoke and is excited to sell pins starting tomorrow!

16. **Additions/Announcements:** 1VDG Ed Glad brought up that when he was asking around in McMinnville about where he might have his District O Convention next year, a woman from the McMinnville Club mentioned the Grand Ronde tribe was very welcoming and would be a great option as they can be very generous in what they provide. He wants us to consider casinos (also consider the tribe itself as a potential club).
17. **Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:40pm. The next Council meeting will be May 18, 2023 at 1:30pm. At the Seaside Convention Center, 415 1st Ave, Seaside, OR 97138

Attendance Sheet  
Meeting of the Council of Governors  
February 3, 2023

- Leah Malcolm
- Vincent Bishop
- Judith Poage
- Stephen Brewster
- Phyllis Carlin
- Gail Black
- Dale Bachman
- Robin Stoeckler
- Sharon Rollins
- Dale Rollins
- Garry Charbonneau
- Bob Chaney
- Paul Zastrow
- David O'Kelley
- Kerith Vance
- Joyce Anderson
- Ed Glad
- Paul Novak

Report to Council of Governor's for February 3, 2023 meeting

## Council Chair Report

Fellow Lions, welcome to 2023!! I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Our District Governors are halfway through their term and working on their District Conventions. I encourage all members to help and support our District Governors. You will be surprised at the information you will obtain and the feeling of community from interacting with other Lions. Consider getting involved. And, please attend, it is rewarding and fun.

District R's Convention is on February 4, and District O's Convention is February 25. The registration forms are in the January issue of the *Oregon Lion* magazine. If you have not registered, you can call the Convention Chairperson. We would love to see you. And, do not forget our MD36 Convention is in Seaside on May 19-20. The theme is 'Together We Can' and we need you there.

The month of January was Hunger Awareness month. Many clubs held food drives to help restock the shelves of local food pantries. The increase in the cost of grocery items has made it difficult for many families throughout our Multiple District. Food banks throughout Oregon/No. California are dealing with the increase in demand. Lions will continue to give their support.

The month of February is Childhood Cancer Awareness month. PDG Gary Mose is our Chairperson. For information on donations contact Lion Gary at [dglionservice@hotmail.com](mailto:dglionservice@hotmail.com)

I look forward to attending the Conventions with you. MD36 Lions are working hard to diminish hunger in our communities and supporting the efforts to diminish childhood cancer.

Together we can!!  
CC Judith Poage

February 3, 2023  
Council of Governors  
Executive Administrator/council Secretary/Treasurer Report

Council, Our state office continues to run smoothly handling monthly duties including our monthly magazine, monthly financial reports, answering the many inquiries that come from Lions and our communities even during this time of great challenges. I remind each of you to notify the state office if you have any changes to the state directory. Leah continues to work on keeping our website up to date.

Remember your articles due dates in order to get them publish each month.

After each Council meeting Leah will send out an email to let you know that you can access the minutes online to review and download. If you find any corrections, please send to Leah and it will also need to be announced at the next council meeting.

State directories are sent to each club, each Governor including their cabinet, MD Officers and MD committee chairs. Extras are sold for \$5 per book. We have extras of the directories that anyone can buy.

Governors don't forget to turn in your monthly expense reports on a timely manner. This is very important as it will affect future Governor's budget that they are given for their year from Lions Clubs International for reimbursement of their monthly expense permitted by LCI's rules of audit. By not turning in your reports it will reduce next year's Governors expense reimbursement. If you have any questions or need help please don't hesitate to ask me.

Financial reports through September 30, 2022 have been or will be mailed to you. Our MD net membership through December 31, 2022 is down by 84 members. MD 36 is down net two clubs since July 1, 2022. Districts are having a challenge from collecting dues from a few clubs, which in turn are not paying total amount due to the MD 36. Right now, this isn't affecting our cash flow materially, but it could in the future if this trend continues. We have also had a few requests to write off dues owed to the MD by cabinet treasurers due to club billing errors or nonpayment of dues. I have done eleven years of graphs of our membership by month to show what has been happening to our districts.

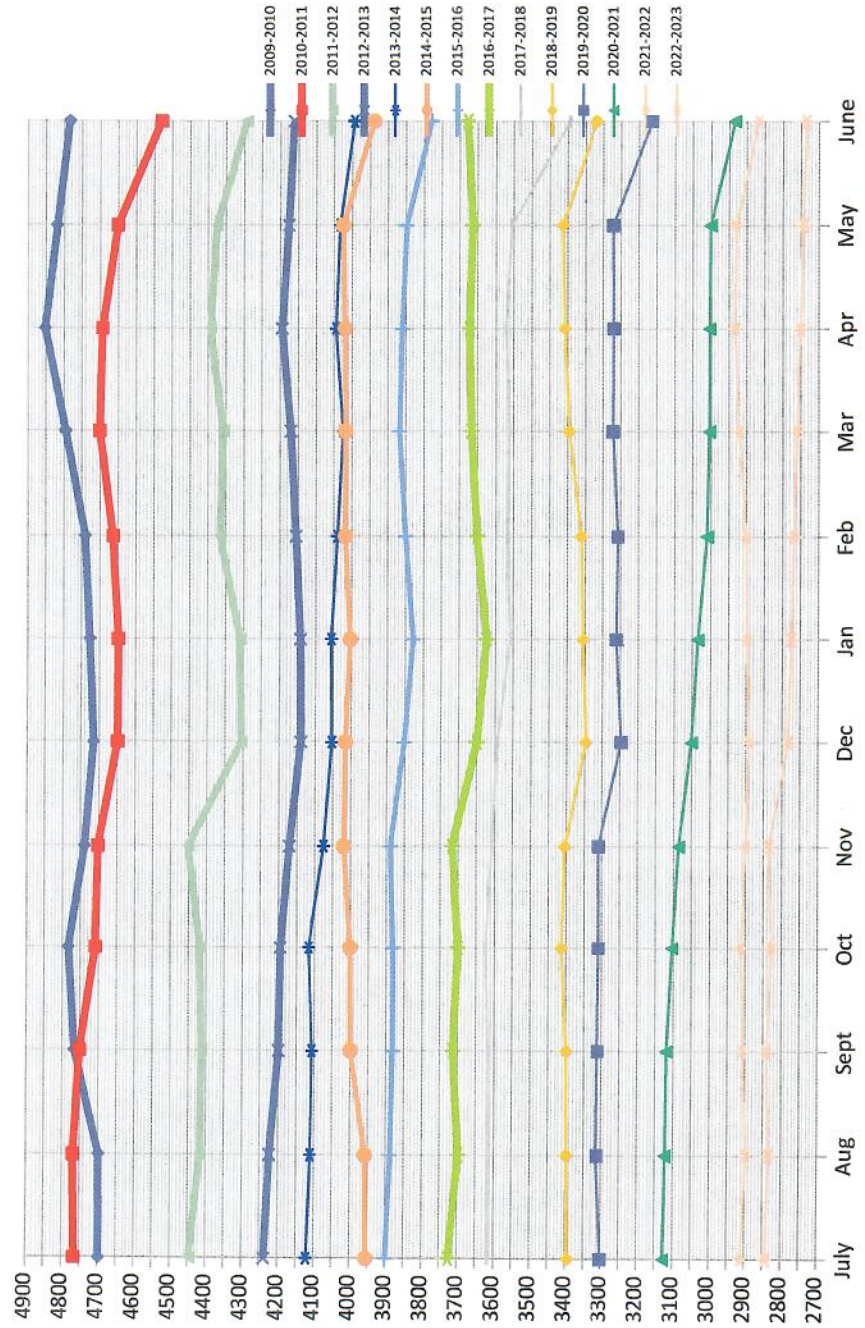
Our challenge continues to be meeting the wants of our council while learning to do with less funds.

If you have any questions please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent F. Bishop PCC  
Executive Administrator/Council Secretary/Treasurer

### MD 36 Membership





Report to the Council of Governors  
For the February 3, 2023 meeting in Eugene, Oregon

## **District O District Governor Report**

I am excited to report that we have a new Lions Club in Tillamook with 27 new members. One of our smaller clubs, Portland Columbia, has 5 new members. We have a new Leo club coming into McMinnville!

Planning for the District O Convention is in the home stretch. We are hoping to do a mini SWOT Analysis exercise in the morning to get club member input on how they want to interact with the District Cabinet. (SWOT stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats, and so a SWOT analysis is a technique for assessing these four aspects of your organization. SWOT Analysis is a tool that can help you to analyze what your organization does best now, and to devise a successful strategy for the future. The purpose is to help 1VDG Edward Glad set some goals for his year as DG. We will also have presentations on the Peace Poster and Quest to see if we can spark some interest in our clubs to try one or both in the next year. We are also having a forum about leadership opportunities - trainings and service opportunities.

Once convention is a wrap, District O has a May walk for pediatric cancer and an LCIF fundraiser in June as well as our District's club officer training to promote.

Currently, we are not finding someone to be 1VDG for next year. Ed is hard at work developing teams for his cabinet next year. Part of this process is he and I identifying potential leaders and candidates.

Even with our newest Lions, our net membership for the year is in the negative but I have hopes that by the end of June we will turn that into a plus 1.

Submitted by DG Kerith Vance  
District Governor MD36 District O

MD36 Council of Governors  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, meeting in Eugene, OR

## **District Governor's Report for 36-R**

Submitted by: David O'Kelley, District Governor

I completed the DG visits to all 32 of our clubs on January 18<sup>th</sup> with the visit to the Philomath Lions. As we prepared for our District Convention this year getting to know the clubs and their leadership helped when reaching out to them about attending our convention this year. Our convention which is the next day after this meeting, February 4<sup>th</sup>, will probably be attended by 120 members and guests representing 28 different clubs. We expect a lot of fellowship and ideas to be shared that will bring members together from all of our districts and our one international district with our International Director speaker. We also have three outside speakers presenting on topics that are relevant to our global causes. We look forward to having a great convention this year that brings value to all that attend.

We have received our LCI PR Grant signs and are prepared to distribute them at our convention to the clubs that are attending. Lion Fran Silbernagel has completed contact with all of our clubs about the status of their brochures and has recruited at least one member that will work with any club that needs help creating a brochure. We have line-of-sight on a couple of more members that will also help. We are working with the Multiple District to provide access to all our club's brochures via the MD36 website. This effort is expected to help new members find a club in their area that aligns with their service passions. We also are anticipating receiving the bumper magnets soon and understand that they have now been ordered. I do want to also high light how the districts came together for this effort and made this possible for our districts, clubs, members and communities. If we can replicate this process in other areas where only the Multiple District can access grants imagine how much more service could be brought back to our communities.

We have a Q3 District cabinet meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>, hosted by Salem Northeast. We continue to ask our club leadership to attend as it allows for a broader perspective as we discuss the District's business. One of the main topics of this cabinet meeting will be to discuss a proposal by Central Lions to pursue a District Hunger Grant in support of a new food bank in their area. We believe the last time we went after a non-Disaster district grant, was when we helped construct the Heartfelt House in Springfield. These district grants usually take some percentage of our clubs to support them and often allow us to partner with other organizations when finding the matching donations. It would be nice if we had a backlog of district grant projects that we could support every year to bring and improve service in our communities. We only have to come together as both clubs and members to make this happen.

Finally, our leadership team will focus the remainder of the year on identifying new Lions that can refresh and bring new energy to our district leadership positions. While it might not immediately address our district governor issues, it can result in creating a

new pool of eligible Lions that can become a future district governor. If we are to succeed, we all need to get engaged in supporting their service aspirations and passions. We must also provide them with opportunities for leadership training and mentorship from the many Lions in our district who have preceded them. One last thought, we are Lions, the clubs are us, the district is us, and the multiple district is us – it is not some other group over there that provides our leadership.

Respectfully,  
Lion David O'Kelley – Together We Can  
DG 36R

February 3, 2023  
Council of Governors - Multiple District 36  
Report 36E - Oregon & Northern California  
District Governor Gail Black

Due to distances to travel, unknown roads, and weather conditions, I have found it prudent to curtail some of my club visitations at this time. I am currently focusing on the District E convention plans, as well as plans for the NWLLI. I plan to continue visitations starting in March and should finish up in early May.

In the meantime, I have urged clubs via email communications to continue to do everything they can to attain new members, and to supply those new members, as well as current members with training and projects to hold their interest and thus retain membership. At the End of December, our total membership was at 584. Since July 1, we have added 48 members and dropped 49. 14 of our 29 clubs have less than 20 members, and 4 of those have less than 10. These figures are based on the MMR reports that are submitted and I am sorry to say that MMR reports are not always being submitted as they should be, with 7 out of our 29 clubs not having reported for 3 months or more.

One of our clubs which currently has 12 members, is looking at 6 members dropping, while at the same time gaining 1 new member, and are talking about the possibility of this 75 year old club folding. The problem here seems to be the same as in many clubs, with just a minority of 4-5 more mature members, who will hold an office, attend meetings, and do all the work, and they are getting very tired. Our GAT team is working with this club to generate more members, and to assist with ideas and activities to insure the club remains an active club.

For the most part, the clubs in District E are doing well, and are active in their communities with projects and fund raisers. Most all of the clubs have been able to assist with the eye screening being done each area of the district, and this continues to be one of the most active projects. It has been hard for many of the clubs to get started up again., but those with annual projects and/or fund raisers are once again getting out there in the community. All of the clubs are looking forward to getting the items from the PR grant that MD36 has been able to get, and putting them to use.

On March 17-18 District E will hold their annual convention in Sutherlin at the community Center with our theme for the year of "Serving from the Heart". Applications and information have been sent out to all of the District E clubs, and to the District Secretaries of the other 3 districts. We are looking forward to having PID Justin Faber as our international guest and key note speaker. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor will be on the ballot to be elected as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor but at the present time we are very concerned about the fact that we have no one who is qualified to be elected to the position of District Governor.

"Together We Can" our international theme for this year is so important as we, not just as individual clubs, but as districts, and as a multiple district work together to achieve those results in our communities that we as Lions are noted for in being the greatest Service organization in the world. Together We can - Together We are - Together we will continue to do so.



## MD 36 Council of Governors Report February 2023

Lions VisionGift celebrates 29 years of Board Service by Lion Bob Van Slyke. His last meeting before stepping down will be February 24, 2023. Among many accomplishments, Bob served as Chair of the Board of Directors from 2017 through 2018. Throughout his tenure Bob oversaw numerous changes – most notably in our overall impact to the community.

When Bob started on the Board, almost all transplants were full thickness grafts called penetrating keratoplasty. Today, through extensive research and development by surgeons, Lions VisionGift and other eye banks, most cornea transplants are now split thickness grafts that have been processed in clean rooms using highly specialized tools that used to be found only in hospital operating rooms. It's been a remarkable journey.

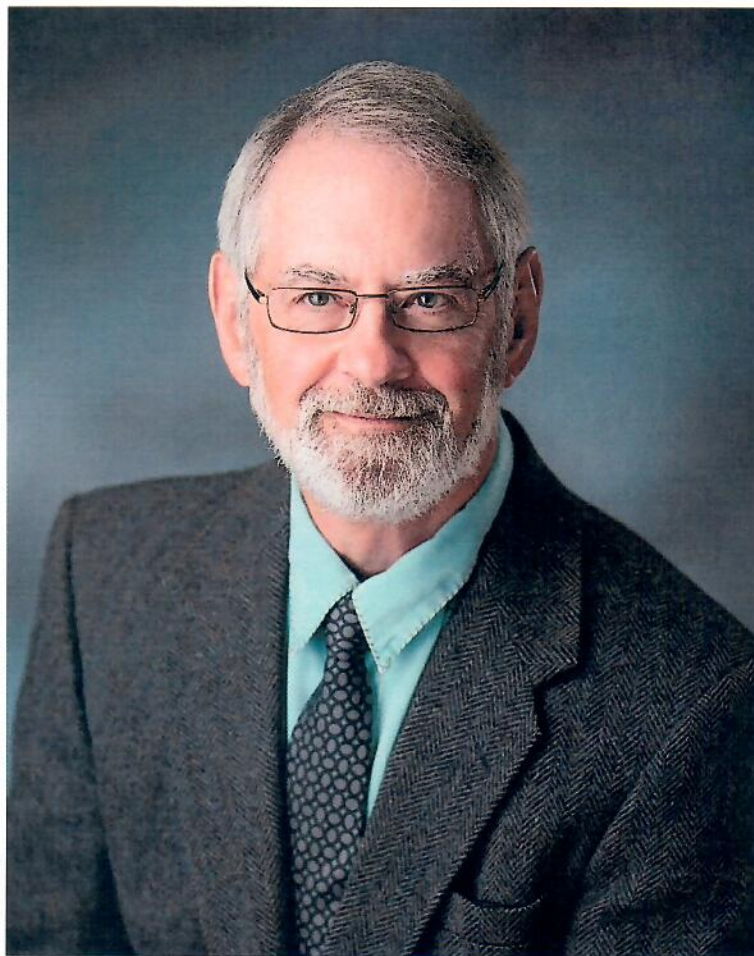
Bob was part of the hiring committee that selected me as CEO when Barbara Crow retired after 18 years. Bob was essential in our decision to open a new location in Boston that has led to dramatic increases in our collaboration with east coast academic institutions like Harvard and Johns Hopkins. And most recently, he was part of the decision to help start a new company dedicated to laboratory grown transplants. The new company is called OcuCell ([www.ocucell.bio](http://www.ocucell.bio)). The role of our Board is critical for a number of reasons. The Board makes sure that our mission is always considered first. Bob always kept this in mind when offering his opinions about critical topics. Always the mission and those we serve.

Thank you, Lion Bob, for all you have done for Lions VisionGift!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Stoeger".

Chris Stoeger, MBA, CEBT, CTBS  
Chief Executive Officer





Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing  
Foundation Council of Governors Report  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

### **School Vision Screening**

As of January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 our SVS Program has screened 126,466 Oregon students for vision health issues, referring 19,073 (15.1%) for comprehensive eye exams. We have conducted 563 SVS events at Oregon schools so far throughout every part of Oregon.

We've added many school districts this school year, primarily in rural Oregon, and also in larger communities. New school districts include schools in Butte Falls, Echo, Monument, Gladstone and even Reynolds High School, east of Portland. We project that we will screen between 155,000 and 170,000 students statewide this year.

MD-36 Lions and OLSHF were recognized by Lions International's Lions KidSight USA as the #1 Lions vision screening program in the U.S. This recognition has strengthened the Foundation's ability to secure funding from Oregon-based foundations to help make progress toward our "20/20 Vision" of one day all Oregon students having their vision screened each year.

### **Lions Day at the Capitol**

Our significant number of students screened for vision health issues is made possible due to the Vision Health Account established at the Oregon Dept. of Education, which covers most, but not all, of the cost of providing vision screenings in Oregon schools. Lions can help sustain this fund by advocating for the passage of SB 276 during the 2023 Oregon Legislative session. An important way to help is to attend **Lions Day at the Capitol in Salem on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023** – all MD-36 Lions are invited and encouraged to attend.

### **2023 Lions KTP Days**

All MD-36 Lions are also invited to join in the celebration of **2023 Lions Keep The Promise (KTP) Days** in Oregon this June. MD-36 leaders and the OLSHF Board of Trustees are encouraging all Lions to plan an event, a service project, or a social gathering to raise awareness of the important work of Lions in Oregon and Northern California. Interested Lions can contact Doug at [Dougt@olshf.org](mailto:Dougt@olshf.org) for a Lions KTP event info on this exciting new initiative.

### **New OLSHF Contact Sheet For Lions**

To improve communication between the Foundation and MD-36 Lions we have introduced a new "OLSHF Contact Sheet" which will be distributed at all Lions Conventions in 2023. It includes key OLSHF Staff contact info to help Lions know who to contact for information pertaining to programs, events, OLSHF Board info, and more. This info will be sent electronically also to all MD-36 Lions Clubs, we hope that Lions leaders will share this new resource with appropriate members of their Lions Club.

### **Freewill.com**

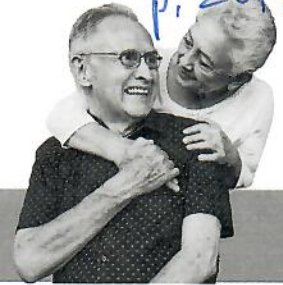
MD-36 Lions have supported their Foundation since 1959, this support has enabled the Foundation to be recognized as one of the strongest nonprofits in Oregon. To express our appreciation of MD-36 Lions, we now offer a valuable new estate planning resource at no cost to Lions, with no strings attached. Freewill.com is easy to use, is accessible online, and will save the user time and resources before finalizing estate plans with an attorney – information is available on the back of this report.

For more information on this, or any other topic in this report, please contact Executive Director Doug Thompson at [Dougt@olshf.org](mailto:Dougt@olshf.org)



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# Planned Giving



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### The Outside Bequest Tool

Have you already included a gift in your will or trust? Please fill out this form to let us know! We thank you for your generosity.



### Non-Probate Assets Beneficiaries Tool

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Council of Governors Meeting  
February 3, 2023

## **Awards, Honors, and Contests Committee Report**

Other than updating information in the Policy Manual, Committee members are busy preparing for their District Conventions, and none have reported problems so far.

At this time I have no idea as to the number of clubs who will participate in each District's competition since we do not require any type of pre-convention registration. This information will be available at the next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by Paula Hilgers  
MD36 Awards, Honors and Contests Committee Chair



MD36 Council of Governors  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, meeting in Eugene, OR

## **Camp Representatives Report**

Submitted by: MD36 Chair PDG Mary Lee Turner

Here are reports received from Hull Foundation & Learning Center Executive Director, Monica Butler and Camp Gales Creek Executive Director, Rob Dailey.

### **Hull Foundation & Learning Center**

Submitted by Executive Director, Monica Butler

Living with Sight Loss Zoom programs and on-site programs:  
We have scheduled a Spouse and Significant others Living with Sight Loss seminar April 19-21. PDG Mary Lee Turner and Creanna have been working together on all the scheduled seminars for 2023 and have already set the schedule for 2024.

We have all of our One Day Fun Days scheduled for 2023. Our next one is scheduled for March 8<sup>th</sup>. We will be going to OMSI.

Winter Holiday Getaway was cancelled due to the weather. It has been rescheduled and starts on Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup>. We have a full schedule planned with fantastic meals planned by our amazing chef Suzanne. We have been having 5-6 Zoom meetings consistently each week. Our Sight Loss Instructors have been working hard to come up with new and exciting ideas to present to all of our guests.

## **Fundraising**

I was just notified that we received the LCIF Grant for the upgrade to the commercial kitchen and resurfacing of the pool. I will receive more information in the upcoming days. We have fundraised our matching part of \$51,880.00 and will need to open a separate bank account to transfer the money into per the LCIF rules. I will keep you updated regarding all aspects of the grant.

We received a \$5000.00 grant from the Holzman Foundation to add a paved path from the lodge connecting to the office. I will start to get bids on the work. I will contact the company we used for The Gardens of Enchantment.

The Sees Candy holiday fundraiser during Christmas did OK. We generated \$236.25 and have started a Valentines fundraises that has already had over \$200.00 in sales.

We have several fundraisers scheduled for 2023

## **Outreach and Marketing**

Our zoom calls and SLIs continue to be the real “face” of our mission statement. Our Sight Loss Instructors kept up several meetings in December. We have at least 5 zoom meetings per week scheduled in January and February.

The Portland Oaks Bottom Lions sent us a check for \$450.00 for scholarships and the Silverton Lions just sent us a \$500.00 donation. I am looking forward to visiting several Oregon Lions Clubs this year. I will be reaching out to Kerith to plan a few visits.

We have 946 people who received the newsletter in December. We did not have a January newsletter, but the February newsletter will be sent out on Monday. We are encouraging most people to have the newsletter emailed to them to save money on printing but there are still some of our guests who still prefer it to be a hard copy.

Thank you,

Monica Butler  
Executive Director  
Hull Foundation and Learning Center  
503-668-6195  
[monica@hullFLC.org](mailto:monica@hullFLC.org)

## Camp Gales Creek

Submitted by Executive Director, Rob Dailey.

Gales Creek Camp is happy to report we are off to a great start for 2023! We have a full summer of camps planned for our kids with type 1 diabetes from all over Oregon and SW Washington. Registration is open now and signups are strong.

Each summer we offer 8 weeks of camp for kids from kindergarten through high school. Financial aid is always available, and Lions are responsible for sending more kids to camp than any other group or individual. Each year Lions clubs sponsor dozens of kids, and the experience changes their lives!

At Gales Creek Camp, kids learn how to take care of their diabetes, from checking blood sugars to eating a balanced diet. They also meet friends their age who also have diabetes, and they have all kinds of fun on hikes, swims, and singing along at campfires. This year, the Bentham Lions are coming out to help build birdhouses, too!

Thanks to all the Lions Clubs who have participated in camp, or sent kids to camp, or made donations to support camperships over the years. We just can't do it without you!

Camp Cleanup Day is June 3 this year. Put it on your calendar! Sign up at [www.galescreekcamp.org](http://www.galescreekcamp.org) under Events. Also, let us know if you want a visitor from Gales Creek Camp to come to your club and do a presentation! We love coming to say thank you in person. Email [office@galescreekcamp.org](mailto:office@galescreekcamp.org).

### **Rob Dailey**

Executive Director

Gales Creek Camp Foundation

[www.galescreekcamp.org](http://www.galescreekcamp.org) | T: (503) 968-2267

6950 SW Hampton St. Suite 242 | Tigard, OR 97223

I have not received updated reports from Camp Taloali and Meadowood as of this date.

Respectfully submitted by  
PDG Mary Lee Turner

Constitution and Bylaws proposed changes report  
Third Council of Governors meeting  
February 3, Eugene, Oregon

The below information was sent to the Council in January and after a little bit of rewording on one item (PDGA) again on Thursday to give them all an opportunity to review it before the meeting. What follows are the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws.

As many are aware there has been some confusion and/or opposition to this entire process.

I feel I need to remind everyone that the Constitution and Bylaws is what drives the Policy Manual and is currently out of alignment with the PM. The PM is seeing several revisions this year as well.

The current C&B was emailed out in September to members of the committee with some suggested changes and a request to return information. What was returned was incorporated. Then another round was recently sent out and those changes are reflected here.

Some have stated that the C&B hasn't been amended in eight years and therefore there is no pressing need to amend it now and that a complete overhaul can be done in the near future.

It is my contention that this is the exact reason why there needs to be amendments made in order to bring it current. A complete overhaul can then be done under another person's supervision.

And if the truth be told there was an amendment to the C&B just last year when we increased MD 36 dues to \$23 per year.

Taking into consideration and incorporating the feedback from the representatives it is recommended to move forward with the acceptance of these proposed changes and placing them on the ballot at the multiple district convention.

If approved as is or with changes from the COG this information will be distributed to the clubs of MD 36 for their review and subsequent vote at the MD36 convention in Seaside in May.

I was asked to put each of the proposed changes into context and give an explanation for the reason for the proposed change.

What follows is the brief synopsis of the change and the explanation, which is in green print. I am not going to delineate any further than a simple reason.

Again the changes are in red print.

The deletions are in ~~Strikethrough~~.

The one comment for the COG to take a look at a particular item is in blue print.

## CONSTITUTION ARTICLE V Multiple District Convention

**Section 1:** A Convention of this Multiple District shall be held each year prior to the date set for the International Convention at a place selected by the vote of the delegates present, qualified and registered at the preceding annual Convention of this Multiple District; at the location chosen by the Convention Committee and following in the order of said location by District as follows O, E, G, R, the time to be fixed by the Council of Governors, to conclude at least 30 days prior to convening date of the International Convention.

The convention committee has been operating in the manner that is proposed for a number of years and the C&B should reflect current practice.

**Section 2:** The Council of Governors shall have supervision over all phases of the ~~State Multiple District~~ Convention and shall elect a ~~presiding officer and a secretary of such convention.~~

We also have clubs in California and are known as a multiple district

**BYLAWS  
ARTICLE II  
Council of Governors**

**Section 7:** The Council of Governors shall appoint the members and chairman of Multiple District Standing Committees, including but not limited to:

A. Constitution and By-Laws, Convention, Finance & Budget, International Participation, Public Relations & ~~Publicity~~ Lions Information and Youth Exchange. (The COG needs to decide whether or not to list any other of the MD36 committees here)

The change in name is to reflect the name that is currently being used in the Policy Manual

B. A Lion should, ~~but is not limited to serving~~ serve on but one such committee at any time.

Added to reflect what has been being done for several years on all committees

~~C.—Term on committee should rotate to assure continuity of experienced members.~~

Removed because this language can be used if needed in the policy and not the C&B where if changed it doesn't take a vote of the entire MD

**BYLAWS  
ARTICLE III**

**Past District Governor's Association**

**Section 3: Meetings:** The Past District Governor's Association shall hold ~~three (3)~~ **one (1)** regular meetings as follows:

~~A. Mid Year at the call of the President.~~

~~B. Immediately prior to the annual Multiple District Convention at a time and place set by the President.~~

~~C. Immediately following the annual Multiple District Convention at a time and place set by the President.~~

Change to coincide with the changes made in the policy and voted on at a PDGA meeting a couple of years ago.

Section 5: Quorum: ~~Twenty or more~~ (50% +1 of the members present and voting shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business of the Past District Governor's Association.) ~~member of the Past District Governor's Association shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business.~~

Better language and reflects who should be making decisions for the PDGA.

**BYLAWS  
ARTICLE V**

Multiple District Convention

**Section 2: Sergeant at Arms:** The Council of Governors shall ~~may~~ appoint a Sergeant at Arms and such assistants as may be necessary who shall be responsible for the maintenance of proper order and decorum at the Multiple District Convention, and who shall perform such duties as are incident to the office.

Just a simple language change. This hasn't been done for a long time but rather than remove the ability to do so just make it optional.

**Section 3: Program:** ~~The Convention Committee~~ Council of Governors shall arrange a program, ~~approved by the Council of Governors,~~ for the Multiple District Convention, and the same shall be the order of the day.

This change is to reflect what has been done for the past several years.

This report will be submitted to the Council of Governors third meeting in Eugene in February for approval to move forward with submission to the Multiple District for ratification at the MD convention in Seaside in May.

February 2, 2023

To: Lion Judith Poage, Chair  
MD 36 Lions Council of Governors  
From: PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair  
MD 36 Lions Convention Operating Committee  
Subject: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Convention Report to COG

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The Lions of MD 36 will meet again in Seaside, Oregon at the Seaside Convention Center on May 19 and 20, 2023. The Convention was still under construction when we were there in 2019 but it is now completed and beautiful.

Plan now to attend. We will have the registration form and hotel information available for everyone by February 10<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a block of rooms but information on hotels that are close to the Convention Center. Reserve your room early as rates increase the closer, we get to summer!

Today we are asking for you to approve the Registration fee of \$140.00 per person. This fee will increase at midnight on April 28, to \$165.00 per person and the cutoff date for all registration is May 12, 2023.

We would also like to request a \$4,000.00 advance from the MD 36 Convention Account to make sure we cover all expenses.

Please direct your questions or concerns to myself or PCC Vince Bishop.

One Form Per Person Please!

Attachment # 12  
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One Form Per Person Please!

**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 36 CONVENTION REGISTRATION  
SEASIDE CIVIC AND CONVENTION CENTER  
MAY 19-20, 2023**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!**

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FIRST NAME LAST NAME

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Address Number Street Apt City State Zip Code

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Home Phone Cell Phone Email Address

Lion \_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_ Guest \_\_\_ Interested in Joining? \_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Time Attendee \_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lions Club Name District (MD 36 O, R, E, G) Other than MD 36

\_\_\_\_\_  
Current Elected Position PID PCC PDG

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE ONLINE: [www.md36lionsclubs.org](http://www.md36lionsclubs.org)

**Registration Fee \$140.00**

**LATE REGISTRATION FEE: ON OR AFTER April 28, 2023 \$165.00**

**NO REGISTRATION ACCEPTED AFTER MIDNIGHT FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023**

**REFUNDS:** The registration fee covers fixed convention costs. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED.**

**Please Make Checks Payable to MD 36 Convention**

**MAIL REGISTRATION FORMS AND PAYMENTS to:**

Tom Hilgers  
PO Box 5145  
Salem, OR 97304

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Convention Chair Joyce Anderson, [lionjo45@gmail.com](mailto:lionjo45@gmail.com) (preferred) or (503) 644-2753

Hotels Nearby: Inn at Seaside (503) 738-9581  
Ocean Front Motel (503) 738-5661  
Seaside Hillcrest Inn (503) 738-6273  
Seashore Inn on the Beach (888) 738-6368  
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more info  
will follow...



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February 3, 2023

## **Environmental Committee Report**

### **Photo Contest**

The MD36 photo contest has been reinstated. Entries continue to come in. The contest runs through April 15<sup>th</sup>. Rules are as follows:

- Photos must be taken by a MD36 Lions member.
- Limit 5 entries per Lion.
- No photo shopping.
- Deadline for entries is April 15, 2023
- A panel of four photographers will pick the top five photos.
- All photos will be displayed and the winners voted on at the State Convention in May.
- Photos from the 2020 contest will also be displayed
- A Silent Auction of the photos will be held at the State Convention to defray the cost of printing.
- E-mail your photos to: [phylcarlin@gmail.com](mailto:phylcarlin@gmail.com)
- Questions, please contact me at [phylcarlin@gmail.com](mailto:phylcarlin@gmail.com)

### **Environmental project ideas**

Environmental project ideas will be shared through an article in the Oregon Lion which will highlight several different club's environmental projects. In the discussion phase is a joint river project, occurring at different places in the state. A recycling project is also on tap.

### **Air Quality issues**

The committee would also like to increase awareness of air quality issues. How this takes shape as a project for the Environmental Committee is yet to be determined.

Environmental Committee  
PDG Phyllis Carlin, Chair

# MD36 Nature Photo Contest returns



After a three year hiatus we are pleased to announce that the MD 36 Nature Photo Contest will once again resume. "Oregon is such a beautiful state. With 10 different ecosystems, there's plenty of beauty to capture in every part of the state," stated MD36 Environmental Chair Phyllis Carlin, "From mountains to lush green forests to the oceans and plains, we've got it all in Oregon and it's all beautiful."

So here's the information you need and what you do to enter:

- Photos must be taken by a MD36 Lions member.
- Limit 5 entries per Lion.
- No photo shopping.
- Deadline for entries is April 15, 2023
- A panel of four photographers will pick the top five photos.
- All photos will be displayed and the winners voted on at the State Convention in May.
- A Silent Auction of the photos will be held at the State Convention to defray the cost of printing.
- E-mail your photos to: [phylcarlin@gmail.com](mailto:phylcarlin@gmail.com)
- Questions, please contact me at [phylcarlin@gmail.com](mailto:phylcarlin@gmail.com)

*Submitted by Phyllis Carlin  
MD36 Environmental Chairperson  
541-604-4816*

# Report to Council of Governors For February 3, 2023 mtg.



## ***Finance and Budget Committee***

***January 17, 2023***



In Attendance: PCC Vince Bishop, Lion Brian Rangitsch (36-R), Lion Paul Zastrow (36-G), Lion Jeff Plummer (36-E)

The group had previously reviewed the documents from the month ending August 31, 2022. All of the accounts, bank statements and budget seemed to be in order. As with other service organizations, the decline in membership has created some challenges. In response, several changes in staffing payment and a delay in reporting due to absence of an employee have put the committee behind in monitoring the funding the last few months. PCC Vince noted we should be caught up to speed in the next month.

Lion Jeff will continue to forward monthly statements and budget sheets to the committee.

Submitted by Jeff Plummer, MD36 Finance & Budget Chair

Report to Council of Governors  
For February 3, 2023 meeting

## **Global Action Team Report**

January 29, 6pm zoom meeting of the GAT team.  
CC Judith Poage called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

Members present included: DG Kerith Vance, DG David O'Kelly,  
DG Gail Black, DG Cheri Jackson, GMT Dan Wolf, GST Sharon Rollins, GLT  
Joyce Anderson and Vice Council Chair Steve Brewster

GMT report included statistics on the new members inducted throughout  
MD36. PDG Dan is looking for a consistent response from District GMT's

GST report was concerned with the low response to recording service projects.

GLT reported on the upcoming Northwest Leadership Clinic scheduled for  
April 21-23, 2023. An increase in registrations is needed.

DG Kerith Vance announced the newly chartered Tillamook Lions Club and  
will inform members of the date for the upcoming Charter Party. Her Convention  
is scheduled for February 24th.

DG David O'Kelley has his District R Convention ready to open on Friday,  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>. He announced 120 Lions have registered to attend. He has  
completed his Club visitations.

DG Gail Black has concerns for the slow registration by Lions attending the  
Northwest Leadership Conference. Registration must be encouraged.

DG Cheri Jackson is busy with her visitations and distribution of the yard signs.  
Her District G Convention will be at Wild Horse in Pendleton and opens March  
31<sup>st</sup>.

There was discussion and concern for the proposed revisions for the MD36  
Constitution and By-Laws. CC Judith will follow up with conversations with the  
members of the committee and the Chair, PCC Bob Chaney.

Meeting was closed at 7:05  
CC Judith Poage

February 2, 2023

To: Lion Judith Poage, Chair  
MD 36 Lion Council of Governors  
From: PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair  
MD 36 GLT  
Subject: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter GLT Report to COG

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As we far approach our district conventions, we are still in need of finding new leaders for our districts. Only District O has a 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor and District E has a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor. Are there candidates stepping up for the offices of District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor in each of our four districts?

The responsibility for finding these Lions Leaders is up to all of us!

I'm including some training opportunities from another report I made in November. Check out this information and share it!

We are still accepting applications for the Northwest Lions Leadership Forum to be held in Sutherlin on April 21-23, 2023. Applications are online on the MD 36 website and DG/PCC Gail Black has more. Registration fees have been reduced! This is a great tool for any Lions who has not yet been a district governor, so get someone you know to register today.

Each of our districts will be scheduling training for club officers for the next year. Encourage all of your elected officers to attend these training sessions. Even if they have been a Lion for many years, there is always something new to learn.

Please plan to attend the MD 36 Annual Convention this year. We will be in Seaside, May 19-20, 2023 at the Seaside Convention Center. We will not have a block of "Lions" rooms because you can find better rates than what we can get for a group.

When the COG approves all of the proposals from the Convention Operating Committee today, the registration form and hotel information will be on the MD 36 website.

Report to the Council of Governors  
For: February 3, 2023 meeting

## **Global Membership Team Report**

MD 36 has currently 2,836 active members  
New members added to date: 224  
Dropped members to date: 300  
Canceled Clubs 3  
Pending Clubs 1  
Deceased Members to date: 10

### **District O**

District O has 1 new Club Pending with 27 new members, now awaiting LCI Approval. This will be the Tillamook Club. Currently a Branch of the Garibaldi Lions Club.

It's possible that we will lose the Canby Club as all of their members were dropped at the end of December 2022. DG Vance is looking into having them join another club, or if New members can be signed up, if they would rejoin.

Mt Hood Lions continue to attract new members and are back up to 97 members with 5 new members expected to join later this month, which will put them back up to 102 members.

Every time they put on a fund raiser or a Dinner people come up and ask how they can join the Club. Community Activity and fund raising for worthy projects attracts new folks. Their Friday night Bingo really took off this year with 107 players one night, normally in the 60's or 70's.

District O has dropped 92 members and added 54 members. Current membership 842.

### **District R**

District R currently has 689 members. They have added 62 new members and dropped 65 members.

GMT Lynn Coon is doing a great job trying to energize their Clubs by stressing Service from the Heart.

He has been contacting Club Membership Chairs and Club Presidents.

**District E**

District E currently has 582 members. They have added 53 new members and dropped 57 members. They have lost 2 Clubs, but fortunately all of the members from these clubs have joined other clubs.

**District G**

District G has added 45 members this year. They are redesigning Yard signs, and encouraging all members to use them. The DG is encouraging Clubs to work together on projects. Service projects appear to be helping make a difference.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dan Wolf**

PDG Lion Dan Wolf, MD 36 GMT Chair

Global Service Team Report  
Council of Governors  
Saturday, February 3, 2023

I have had communication from two of the four District GSTs to obtain a report of the service that has taken place/is happening in their respective Districts. One GST is recuperating from a log trip and a broken arm and not working at the task, and another is not responsive to any communication from me.

District O clubs have returned to service projects, including food and winter clothing drives, vision screening, food drives and more. I have had no response as to specific projects from any of the other Districts.

As of December 31, according to the MD Health Assessment report, clubs within the Districts reporting service on MyLion, given as percentages, are:

District O	49%
District R	59%
District E	28%
District G	29%

One more time, and I have communicated this as is possible with the District GSTs, I would like to propose a challenge to all four Districts within the MD:

Under the guidance of the District GST, begin to plan and then carry out a District-wide "Day of Lions Community Service". The special day does not have to be the same for all four Districts, but at a time when the majority of clubs within each District can carry out an event with the same theme. The Lions Club focuses on Hunger and Environment could provide service activities in any community – and of course, there are many other ways of reaching out. Please, District GSTs, put on your Lions "thinking caps", work with your DG and clubs, and make a difference with a visible Day of Service. And then REPORT each club's service to their MyLion site!

We Serve – From the Heart!

Respectfully submitted,

PCC Sharon Rollins  
MD 36 GST Chair





MD-36 Hearing Report  
Council of Governor's Meeting  
Eugene, Oregon  
Feb. 3, 2023

**Hearing Aids:** Aids from Phonak, Starkey, Sonic Innovations, and refurbished continue to be available to qualified applicants.

The following information is new since the last quarterly report and the absence of detailed information does not mean those services were discontinued but that no changes have occurred.

**Cost change:** ROAR! Program Hearing Aid fees have changed for all Lions clients outside of Lane County. This means that all ROAR! Clients outside of Land County will be asked to pay \$100 per hearing aid until further notice.

**CLINICS/EVENTS:**

1. OLSHF, Roseburg Lions Club and the Sutherlin Lions Club partnered with Nick Schenfeld and his son, Travis Schenfeld from Play It Again Hearing to help **7 people** total with hearing exams and **14 hearing aids on 1/13/2023**. Thanks to Roseburg Lion Di Toleno who volunteered all day at the event and Sutherlin Lion Jon White who secured the Sutherlin Community Center for the event, opened and closed the center and picked up lunch for the crew. Some of the folks helped had been waiting nearly a year to get help with hearing aids!!

**PROVIDERS:**

1. We referred our first 6 Lions Clients to Pacific Northwest Audiology in Bend this week! This is BIG news for the Bend area who have been without a ROAR! provider since Dr. Landsberg moved. We are hoping that Central Oregon ENT will also partner with the Lions and together, these two new ROAR! providers along with existing ROAR provider, My Hearing Centers, should be able to tackle the need in and around Deschutes County.
2. We have reached out to potential providers in Lake Oswego, Salem, Tillamook, and Corvallis, and are waiting to hear back.

3. Our provider in Astoria, Bayside Audiology, sold her practice and we have confirmed that the new owner, Dr. Kerry Farmer, will continue to partner with the Lions. The Astoria Lions Club has been actively involved in continuing this partnership and the provider scheduled their first Lions client this week!
4. We intend to reach out to Costco again about the possibility of partnering with the Lions. The last time we inquired about a partnership was 2017.

New Hats Project is debuting in Lane County. OLSHF is partnering with Pacific University School of Audiology (PUSOA) to offer Hearing Assistive Technology. This could include devices such as smoke alarms, alarm clocks and possibly devices and tools to help someone do their job safer and more effectively. Grad Student Michael Parisi has hit the ground running. He has created a 1-pager for Lions along with a 1-page product list. OLSHF Videographer, John Webb, will come out to the Pacific Hillsboro campus in early February to shoot some videos with Michael. In these series of videos, Michael will introduce the program and demonstrate various HATS products.

Respectfully submitted by Hearing Chair Red Rowley



MD-36 Council of Governors Meeting, 3 February 2023

### **International Participation Committee Report**

Submitted on behalf of the Committee

#### Committee Members:

- District O Representative –
- District R Representative –
- District E Representative –
- District G Representative –
- Past International Director – Sunny Pulley
- Past International Director – Dennis Tichenor
- Past International Director – Ed Gear
- Member at Large –
- Member at Large –
- Member at Large –
- Chair – Robin Stoeckler

As was shared on behalf of the IPC Chair at the 19 November 2022 Council of Governors meeting, no meeting of this committee has been convened this Lions year, as the Chair of the Committee has still not received the names of the individuals who have been appointed to serve for this year. The Chair was made aware that the information in this year's directory is not correct, but nothing further has been provided.

#### **International Convention in Boston July 7 - 11, 2023.**

There's something for everyone at the Lions Clubs International Convention. Enjoy inspiring speakers and engaging presentations, special exhibits, world-class entertainment and so much more. Start planning your experience now:

<https://lccicon.lionsclubs.org/attend/registration-information/>.

Registration fee \$250 until June 30, 2023.

The application to participate in the Parade of Nations has been submitted for the non-competitive category. A solid headcount of attendees in order to ensure sufficient scarves are available is requested as soon as possible. The cost per scarf should remain at \$35, representing the actual cost of the fabric and embroidery. Sewing services were donated.

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**USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno, NV September 21 - 23, 2023:**

You will find information and the link to register: <https://lionsforum.org/>.

The registration fee is \$285 before May 30th. After May 30<sup>th</sup> but before July 31, \$320. After July 31<sup>st</sup>, \$345. Register early and save \$\$\$. The Forum will feature over 70 seminars in 2 and 1/2 days. There will also be four motivational general meal sessions, service projects, and countless opportunities to network with partner programs and other like-minded Lions members.

Respectfully submitted  
Robin Stoeckler

Report to the Council of Governors  
For: February 3, 2023 meeting

## **International Understanding & Cooperation**

PDG Sharon Elder reported to me earlier that the Mexico trip emerged from the Covid times. She indicated they helped several thousand with glasses. Even though she was retiring that others would pick up the trip next year so for those interested to contact her or listen for more details. PDG Gary Charbonneau also knows a lot about it.

The Peruvian efforts has also taken on a different look. While we had gone in November in the past -- The Faces organization was going in February. Tom Carter and Charles Brod, from the Milwaukie Lions were going to join the group in early February, but Tom had to postpone his part because of arm problems but will postpone it until later. Lion Charles will be going with several hundred pairs of glasses. PID Dennis Tichenor and PCC David and Penny Rich will not be going this year.

It looks like both programs will be in transition but will be evolving. More later.

Report submitted by PID Dennis Tichenor  
MD36 International Understanding & Cooperation Committee Chair

Report to the Council of Governors  
For: February 3, 2023 meeting

## LCIF Report

Submitted by IPCC Paul Zastrow, MD36 LCIF Chair

With Campaign 100 being now over and as 'new' push begun for collections of International Lions Funding for LCIF, I can only say that we of MD 36 have not done well. First being not every District with a designated District Coordinator, and secondly we continually are using the excuse that even with the pandemic of Covid being essentially over, there still has been little money donated by the Lions of MD 36. Oregon has an economy that seems first into financial difficulties and last out!

But – the needs still exist and we are continually bombarded with knowing there are things everywhere that need to be addressed. At least Oral Hull Foundation has been awarded a grant to help improve some structures on their campus for their swimming pool and kitchen. Plus a Publicity Grant that each District has some fliers and items available for Lion usage for our members in the communities we serve.

Looking at some longer range giving, there are a number of Clubs and individuals who have donated over the years – with some having qualified for Melvin Jones Fellowships valued at \$1,000 each. District O has accumulated some \$72,900+; District R with some \$134,800+; District E has raised over \$18,200 and District G has been credited with over \$43,500. The amounts individually vary from \$5.00 to \$50,000. Every contribution of \$1,000 can be named for an award of either a Melvin Jones Fellow or a Progressive MJF. I have with me a list of the Individuals and clubs with amounts of their respective installments. Individuals can award either themselves or name others for recognition with MJF.

I also have a list of the MJF(s) and PMJF(s), but did not bring that list with me.

LCIF keeps track of MJF and PMJF recognitions as well as the installments over the years. I know that the list is at least 20 years in the making, as in 2003 at the first Portland USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Lion Beverly Roberts donated some \$150 to LCIF without leaving her address or membership number at the LCIF table. (I asked her if she wanted credit and she declined saying that as the \$\$ went into the foundations accounts, that was all that was needed.)

So – unlike our own Foundation, both clubs and individuals have ample opportunity to donate as well as reward recognition without worrying about having to be on a 3-year timeline. OLS&H Foundation has more awards by name and dollar amounts, but limits by time when these can be awarded and accumulated by clubs and individuals.

In all cases, let's redouble our efforts to donate our dollars for these worthwhile causes by digging deep in our pockets and ensure that our tax-deductible foundations can do even more to make the world a better place for those in need!

Sutherlin Leo Club  
December Report

The Sutherlin lions served hot baked potatoes with all the toppings.

7 members were present along with the school sponsor. There was a decision to move the meetings to the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month allowing others to attend instead of competing groups that meet on Wednesday.

The plans to reorganize the clothing and food closet will be drawn over the holidays. The wood shop will be requested for shelving.

There is a concern for students who are hungry and without funds to purchase food and are embarrassed to ask for something. The group will investigate having items available for those who need snacks. The librarian will keep the snacks and it will be known that the food is available to any student who wants it. Lions will be asked to get the project begun with money.

Cignos, a restaurant in Sutherlin has agreed to match \$25.00 from the Leo money for a certificate to be raffled to students, parents, and teachers. The certificate will be put in a frame and displayed at the librarian's desk and she will collect money and issue tickets. The income will be deposited in their bank account and used for service projects.

Leo President Kylie Shaver is planning to submit plans for a mural as her senior project. She asked the group if they would help which would be considered a service to the school.

Lion Carma Fisher told the group that Rylie's mom has access to a van. She has agreed, when the weather is warmer, to hold a meeting in the Lion's Den (a barn where we have storage and process cans and bottles for recycling). They agreed.

Several picked-up T-shirts were provided by the Sutherlin Branch Club as well as name badges printed by Denny Cameron, a former Branch Lion.

Respectively submitted by Sharon Elliott and Carma Fisher, Lion Sponsors.

January District Leo Report  
Leo Club Sutherlin OR.

Members are supported by the Principal and Librarian.

The members are planning a reorganization of a room that is in disarray. It is called the "Closet" and is open for those needing a snack or clothing. To understand how the student body feels about the closet, there will be a questionnaire distributed. Moving snacks to the library will be a consideration for the availability of those embarrassed to enter the room.

It was agreed that Cathy Liebolt would be the speaker next month regarding scholarships.

A \$50 gift certificate at Cignos Restaurant has been given to the Club as a fundraiser and will be raffled to students, parents, teachers, and others. It was suggested that it be advertised as a Date Night experience. One student volunteered to act as treasurer. Monies will be deposited in the bank and checks will be distributed to track expenses.

Sunday texts to the members are planned to increase attendance.

Fundraising activities are being considered such as a car wash and/or dog walk.



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### **LIONS QUEST**

Submitted by: PDG Jim Jagers, MD36 Chair

1. A number of clubs have expressed a concern about financing a Quest Training program in their community. Financing---nothing for your club. LCIF offers grants covering 75% of the costs. In Oregon, Lions have three foundations which will fund the other 25% because it is youth-oriented.
2. The Quest program is sponsored through Lions Clubs International and funded through Lions Clubs International Foundation. Its purpose is to help students develop positive attitudes and become contributing members of your community. The program is divided into three parts with the high school segment focusing on community service.
3. Lions clubs have reported club growth due to the program where students and parents have joined local clubs.
4. The Quest program is run by a local club in partnership with community groups and the local school district. For further information simply go online to the LCI site and you can download the entire program.
5. Club involvement -- 5-7 Lions are needed to help plan and put on the training.
6. Quest Trainer--located in Oregon.

## COG Meeting February 03, 2023: YOUTH READING PROGRAMS

PDG Carol Brink

### SMART READING PROGRAM EVENTS

#### Give Your Heart to SMART Wednesday 2/8/2023

Join SMART friends and supporters in the Rogue Valley for our annual fundraising event to celebrate fostering a love of books and reading in local children, Give Your Heart to SMART. Come enjoy a delicious meal catered by Platon's Kitchen, Oregon wine, and craft beer provided by Beerworks. We will have several raffle packages to choose from as well as opportunities to donate to and support SMART.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023, 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Harry & David Corporate Conference Center, 2800 South Pacific Highway, Medford, OR 97501

**To RSVP go to:** [www.smartreading.org/about-smart/local-offices/rogue-valley-area/events](http://www.smartreading.org/about-smart/local-offices/rogue-valley-area/events)



#### SMART Sip in Central Oregon Thursday 2/23/2023

the SMART Sip brings together community members and SMART Reading supporters for an evening featuring delicious food and drinks, and an opportunity to celebrate the power of books and reading. Must be 21 years or older to Sip. **To get tickets go to:**

[www.smartreading.org/about-smart/local-offices/central-area/events](http://www.smartreading.org/about-smart/local-offices/central-area/events)

### KIDS READING EVENT

#### National Read Across America Day Thursday 3/02/2023,

which is also the birthday of one of the most beloved children's book authors of all time — Dr. Seuss. It's a day to celebrate our favorite activity and the perfect way to get children interested in reading books. The day was established by the National Education Association (NEA) in 1998 to help get kids excited about reading. The day occurs each year on the birthday of beloved children's book author Dr. Seuss, so a perfect way to celebrate is to *don a Seussian hat* and read one of his famous tales, like *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*. On National "Read Across America Day", students, teachers, parents, and community members around the nation come together to read books and celebrate the joy of reading — join us!

#### *The Fastest Way To Build Vocabulary*

Children learn 4,000–12,000 words every year by reading.

#### *Classroom Libraries Create Bookworms*

Kids in classrooms without mini-libraries read 50% less than kids with classroom libraries.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn; the more places you'll go." - Dr. Seuss [www.nationaltoday.com/national-read-across-america-day](http://www.nationaltoday.com/national-read-across-america-day)



***Check your local school; maybe they need a Dr. Seuss book reader on March 2***

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## **Youth Exchange Program**

Submitted by IPCC Paul Zastrow, MD36 Chair Youth Exchange Program

**This was originally to be an article for the January 2023 issue of the Oregon Lion, but is also appropriate for the COG and interested Lions as it speaks to the first Lions Clubs International Objective – *To Create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world.*** The LCI Youth Exchange Program allows for the exchange of young adults throughout the world – giving great experiences for host families and youth. WE need hosts as well as youth willing to become exchangees. To that end, if you can see it in yourselves to truly volunteer in a cause – become a host parent to a young adult from a foreign country!

### **Becoming a Host Family**

Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences? Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you? Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding and the creation of global citizenship in youth? If you have answered “yes” to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for this, the 60<sup>th</sup> year of the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange Program. Interested – contact Paul at [pzastrow@gorge.net](mailto:pzastrow@gorge.net).

### **Benefits of Hosting**

Hosting an exchange youth or two is guaranteed to be a rewarding experience because:

- 1 – you experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- 2 – you learn about the exchange youth's customs and culture
- 3 – you open a new world of possibilities and thinking to the exchange youth
- 4 – you make a new friend – perhaps for life

### **Expectations of a Host Family**

You are expected to provide room and board for the youth. It is recommended that youth be in contact with others of approximate age and similar genders. Meals should be balanced and healthy.

Typically, you are responsible for all of the youth's transportation during the exchange. This travel may include transfers to and from airports or train stations, with other host families or to a camp or organized activity. If you have agreed to cover cultural activities, you may wish to pay for any entry fees that may be charged.

Although normally Lions members host incoming youth, it is not a requirement that you be a Lions member. There are a number of items that are necessary to be screened prior to being issued an exchangee.

Essentially your youth is to be treated as a member of your family while being with you, and participating in normal family activities, such as picnics, sports activities, cultural visits, and more. Be sure that you can make the time available to support quality time with assigned youth!

A family can host more than one youth, should be of the same gender and from different countries – so they can truly share greater cultural experiences. Additionally, hosts can share incoming youth – for example we had 5 families sharing 3 youth from Austria and Italy several years ago.

## Childhood Cancer Committee Report for February 3, 2023

PDG Gary Mose, MD36 Committee Chair

September was Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Gold is the “color” for Childhood Cancer. All month long, organizations around the world focus on raising awareness through social media, education and events. But, Cancer is not limited to one month or once a month. It’s happening 365 days a year. Types of cancer found in children: Medulloblastoma, Retinoblastoma, Neuroblastoma, Hodgkin Lymphoma, Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, and Osteosarcoma. Cancer is the number one cause of death by disease for children in the U.S. Despite that alarming statistic, 30 states do not include any childhood cancer language in their comprehensive cancer plans.

Lions clubs can help by raising awareness for childhood cancer in their respective districts. By creating fundraising events, working with local organizations who support childhood cancer research and education, sponsoring kids to camp and so much more.

As a side note, Amazon’s 10 year old AmazonSmile donation program is ending February 20, 2023.

### **District O Committee Chair, PCC Sharon Rollins – O’s Convention February 25<sup>th</sup> in Portland**

Will meet with the park and Jason Hickox of Camp UKANDU on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Also plan to meet with one of the local representatives of the KDCCP later in the month or early February and get the details in place for the childhood cancer walk. Will be getting the flyer into design and, hopefully, have a t-shirt supplier in line to begin taking orders. I plan to have information on the walk by the R convention, on 2/4. Will have literature from Camp UKANDU and the LCIF flyer available at the O convention.

### **District R Committee Chair, Karen Norton - R’s Convention February 4<sup>th</sup> in Eugene**

At the convention in February a table will be set up promoting childhood cancer project ideas.

### **District E Committee Chair, Marianne Baxter – E’s Convention March 17-19<sup>th</sup> in Sutherlin**

Scheduling a skating fundraiser in May at the new skating rink in Brookings. At the convention in March a table will be set up promoting childhood cancer project ideas.

### **District G Committee Chair, PDG Gary Mose – G’s Convention March 31-April 1<sup>st</sup> in Pendleton**

We are currently working on a club mailer containing statistics, ideas and suggestions on how clubs can support childhood cancer. Items to included will be the LCIF Childhood Cancer flyer, a list of Oregon organizations and non-profits supporting childhood cancer and additional literature, yet to be determined.

We donated a wooden display case with a collection of Oregon club pins (past and present) to auction at the state convention in 2022. The decision was made to hold off on auctioning it because of other scheduled fundraising events. PCC Bob Chaney has the display case and we will make arrangements with him to auction it off at the Seaside convention.

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## **Policy Manual Report**

Nothing new to report.

Submitted by MD36 Policy Manual Chair, Dale Rollins

**Public Relations & Publicity- February 2023 COG Meeting**

**Carrie Bartley (36-O), Tom Hilgers (36-R), Carol Swesso (36-E) & Gerald Hopkins (36-G)**

The focus of the PR committee this year has been on the PR grant that was awarded to MD36 last summer. Since the last COG meeting, the yard signs and magnetic bumper stickers have been ordered and were delivered directly to the four District Governors.

**Yard Signs-** 2500 18" x 24" yard signs and metal stakes were ordered, enough for every Lion household to have one, plus additional signs for the district.



**Magnetic bumper stickers-** 3100 bumper magnets were ordered, measuring 10" x 3". Enough was ordered for every Lion to receive one, plus extras for each district.



**The cost of these items exceeded the \$16,500 grant budget by \$70. The PR Committee, in consultation with PCC Vince Bishop, is requesting that the Council of Governors vote to approve the request that \$70 is transferred from the MD Supplies Expense Account to cover this overage. The PR committee has approved this request.**

It is the goal of the committee and the District Governors that the vast majority of the signs and bumper stickers will be distributed to their clubs by the end of the MD 36 convention in May.

**Please reach out to your DG to coordinate pick-up of the signs and magnets for your club. The accompanying PR Handout should also be distributed to all clubs.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Carrie Bartley

# MD 36 Lions Yard Sign Project



On behalf of the MD 36 PR committee, we are pleased to share the results of more than a year of collaboration and input amongst our members. After much discussion and research, the PR committee decided to apply for a Public Relations grant from LCI, in the hopes of helping local Lions clubs self-promote and gain membership. The sign you see above has been produced for the Lions of MD36 and are now in the hands of the four District Governors for distribution. These signs are customizable and we hope that as individuals and clubs you do whatever you need to do to make these signs work for you in your community.

In this document you will find suggestions on how you can customize your signs, a sample press release that you can use to promote the signs and a one-page on where you can find additional resources.

Please do not hesitate to contact anyone on the PR committee, we are here to help you promote your clubs and hopefully increase membership.

## Committee Members & Contributors

Carrie Bartley, 36-O  
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Plain – Leave sign as is

**Help your community.  
Become a LION today!**



**Find us online at MD 36 Lions**

HANDWRITTEN INFO (USE WHITE PAINT PEN  
or whatever will show up)

**Help your community.  
Become a LION today!**

CLUB  
NAME



PHONE #  
EMAIL

**Find us online at MD 36 Lions**

Use Cricut or vinyl letters (white) to add information

**Help your community.  
Become a LION today!**

CLUB  
NAME



PHONE #  
EMAIL or  
WEBSITE

**Find us online at MD 36 Lions**

Purchase STAR BURST from Dollar store OR USE SOMETHING  
WATERPROOF (laminated cardboard or plastic signboard)

**Help your community.  
Become a LION today!**

Club Name  
Phone #  
Email



Additional  
information

**Find us online at MD 36 Lions**

MORE IDEAS FOR DIFFERENT INFORMATION  
SOCIAL MEDIA

**Help your community.  
Become a LION today!**

FIND  
US  
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**Help your community.  
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JOIN  
US!!



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**This is a sample press release to promote the signs in your community.**

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **Local Lions Using Yard Signs to Brighten the Community**

As part of a state-wide public relations push, the Milwaukie Lions Club is posting colorful signs around the community to promote their organization and drum up interest for the Lions Club. This club is part of the larger Lions Clubs International organization, the largest service club organization in the world with more than 48,000 clubs with 1.5 million members in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Besides adding a spot of color to many local yards and businesses, the club is hoping that people will be interested in learning more about their local Lions club and consider joining.

Like many volunteer organizations, Lions has been struggling with shrinking membership over the last couple of decades, despite being one of the best-kept secrets in the community when it comes to their charitable works. Lions is open to anyone over the age of 18 that wants to serve their community and there are no limits on the types of service that clubs take on. Initially, Lions Clubs were known for their worldwide projects regarding sight and hearing, but in the past few years have expanded to serve in the areas of diabetes, hunger, environment, and pediatric cancer. Lions Clubs are autonomous when it comes to selecting the community service projects they want to provide in their community so the club appeals to a large variety of concerned citizens.

Besides service, Lions also acts as a social outlet for people. "By becoming a Lion, I have met many wonderful, giving people that I would never have met otherwise. As a younger person, moving to a new area, the Lions Club has honestly become my second family," says Milwaukie Lions Club President Carrie Bartley, who moved to the area with her husband in 2011. "We love the camaraderie of the club while also appreciating that we're making the community a better place to live, one small project at a time. The organization is also incredible for the many leadership opportunities, developing skills that I can use in my everyday life. For those that want to find fellowship and a way to give back to their community, I encourage them to engage with their local Lions Club."

### **ABOUT**

The Milwaukie Lions Club has been active in supporting citizens of Milwaukie and North Clackamas County since 1948. While Lions as an international organization is known for sight and hearing programs, our club does more than just provide exams, eyeglasses and hearing aids to those less fortunate in our community. The Milwaukie Lions Club supports our local schools by providing needed supplies to classrooms and coordinates a Backpack Buddy program at a local elementary school. The club also organizes a Holiday Food Drive that provides food boxes to more than 400 local families, in addition to many other activities and service projects throughout the year. The club is always looking for potential new members who want to give back to their community. ###

## **Public Relations & Membership Development Resources**

### **MD 36 Public Relations Manual & Media Directory**

<http://www.md36lionsclubs.org/public-relations>

### **Fundraising & Service Projects in the Era of Covid-19**

<http://www.md36lionsclubs.org/resources-during-covid19>

### **Club Marketing- Promoting you club (multiple downloadable guides)**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-marketing-communications-chairperson>

### **LCI Members Resource Center**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center>

### **LCI Leadership Development Resources**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/leadership-development>

### **Lions USA/Canada Forum**

<https://lionsforum.org/>

### **Lions University**

<https://lionsuniversity.org/>

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February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, meeting in Eugene, OR

## **Sight Preservation, Awareness and Action**

Submitted by: PDG Mary Lee Turner

OLSHF is busy screening eyes of students around our multiple districts, providing eye care through the Patient Care committee, and bringing attention to Lions and the KPTV viewers of the OLSHF service and much more.

The statewide ad hoc Pedestrian Safety Awareness Action Committee will begin holding monthly Zoom meetings to plan for events to increase public awareness regarding the need for greater safety of blind pedestrians. Highlighted event to celebrate Annual White Cane Safety Day on 10/15/26 will be planned.

Respectfully submitted by  
PDG Mary Lee Turner

February 2, 2023

To: Lion Judith Poage, Chair  
MD 36 Lions Council of Governors  
From: PCC Joyce Anderson, Chair  
MD 36 USA/Canada Lion Leadership Forum  
Subject: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Forum report to COG

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Please encourage your Lions to consider attending the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum this year in Reno. This is a great leadership training opportunity for all Lions and it is being held September 21-23, 2023 at The Row in Reno.

Stop by the display tablet during all of the District and Multiple District Conventions. You will find the information needed to register and hotel accommodations.

ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE ONLION AT: [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org).

It's not that far to Reno and many from our area drive there for mini vacations. This would be a good time to consider doing just that. If there is enough interest, we could possibly plan for a group to travel together. Please let me know if this is something you would like to consider. Just send an email to [lionjo45@gmail.com](mailto:lionjo45@gmail.com).

I encourage all of you to visit the Forum website. It is full of information and you can get caught up in all the news if you select the "Newsletter" tab.

Hope to see you there!