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## ANNIVERSARIES

October 2014 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.

### October

Klamath Falls	October 14, 1927
Myrtle Point	October 05, 1928
Roseburg	October 12, 1928
Forest Grove	October 15, 1946
Lake Oswego	October 16, 1946
Milwaukie	October 28, 1948
Springfield	October 10, 1950
Saint Helens	October 10, 1955
Jordan Valley	October 13, 1970
Wallowa	October 15, 1973

## MONTHLY CALENDAR

### EVENTS

#### October

- 4 Hall of Fame Gala Event - Tualatin Country Club - Tualatin @ 5pm
- 6 Eyeglass Sorting Party - Keizer - Keizer Lions Hall @ 6pm
- 10 *The Oregon Lion* deadline - Due HQ Office
- 13 Columbus Day - HQ Office Closed
- 24 United Nations Day
- 31 Halloween

#### November

- 2 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 10 *The Oregon Lion* deadline - Due HQ Office

### MEETINGS

#### October

- 10 Patient Care Committee meeting - OLSHF @ noon
- 18 OLSHF Webinar - online or phone @ 11am
- 29 SOLS&HC Board meeting @ 6pm

#### November

- 8 Dist E Cabinet mtg. - Medford - SOLSHC @ 10am
- Dist G Cabinet mtg. - Rufus - Big Bob's @ 10am
- Dist O Cabinet mtg. - Mt Hood - TBA @ 9:30am
- Dist R Cabinet mtg. - Junction City - Moose Lodge, 427 Front St. @ 9am

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## Council Chair News



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Can you believe it! One-fourth of the Lions year is already complete. Are you and your Lions club on target to reach your goals? Do you need some assistance to help reach those goals? There are Lions that you could call for some help. Maybe there is a Past District Governor, a Zone Chair or a Vice District Governor who would visit your club. These Lions might look at your club from a different angle and be able to make suggestions that no one in your club has thought of in the past.

Now is a great time to start planning for your holiday activities. A project that involves your club with members of your community is a great way for your neighbors to find out what Lions do. We help with so many needs in the community but we don't tell anyone about our successes. Make sure that you let the local media: newspaper, TV and radio know what you have done or, better yet, ask them to help you advertise your event. Sometime this month, we should have totals on our success with "Cans for a Cause". The funds will have been distributed to the various Honor Flight Hubs and we will know how many WWII Veterans were given the opportunity to make the trip to Washington, DC. What a terrific opportunity this has been for the Lions of Oregon. It gave us an opportunity to partner with other organizations and to provide the trip that many of these Vets would not have been able to make.

I hope that you plan to help celebrate Lions World Sight Day on October 10th. That would be a great day to continue with one of our Statewide Service Projects: Eyeglass Collection. There is always a need for more eyeglasses that can be sent to places that have no means of getting glasses. Although we can't always put used eyeglasses to work here at home, we can help people in other countries while at the same time making use of glasses that are no longer needed by the person that made the donation.

Please welcome the members of our newest Lions Club in MD 36, the Southern Oregon Drifting Lions Club in Medford. What an exciting day we spent on August 31st at their Charter Party. It was a great day of fun, food, excitement and fellowship. This Club chartered with 23 members, but they added five more members during the day. For me, it was really exciting. I had the opportunity of taking a couple of rides around the track! For someone who is known to have a "lead foot", I realized that these folks have terrific skill. They can drive their car fast, shift from gear to gear and use their hand brake all at the same time. It's not something that can easily be done especially after having had knee surgery. It was really exciting to be on the track with these great drivers but even more exciting to see that we now have 28 more Lions to help provide service to those in need.

We wish these Lions and their sponsoring Club, the Grants Pass Redwood Lions Club, "the best of luck."

Will your club take the challenge from our International President Joe Preston and "Just Ask"? We can make this a terrific year!

If you see a bit of a deeper tan on some Lions of MD 36, it might be that they were some of the 17 Lions who travelled to San Juan, Puerto Rico to attend the 38th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. The weather was great; the scenery was beautiful and the Convention Center was terrific. With so many great training sessions to choose from, it was easy to find topics that were useful, educational and presented with enthusiasm.

The Planning Committee spent many hours in preparation for 1,600 Lions to travel so many miles from home and still make the most of the time spent in these meetings. We learned first hand about President Preston's "Centennial Service Challenge", what needs to be done to create a "Blueprint" to build a stronger club and more information on Lions University.

In the next issue of the Oregon Lion, there will be more information on some of these items and a summary of the plans for the Lions of MD 36 as we prepare for the future and for hosting the 2017 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

There are many exciting things to plan. Stay tuned to see how you can be involved!

## Seasons May Change...

### However the Work Continues

**As we move from late summer into autumn, and welcome the familiar human rhythm of harvest season, we'd do well to remember that unlike agriculture – and many industries with 'seasonal' components – cornea donations are perpetual occurrences, not restricted to certain times of the year.**

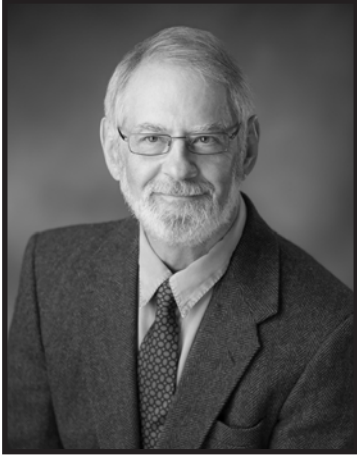
The fact that the donations we receive are inextricably linked to someone's death, and that death is unpredictable, means that **Lions VisionGift** is always operating at peak capacity – we don't have a busy season. This perpetual activity isn't limited to the functions of cornea recovery and distribution, but extends to all aspects of our operation – including our research, publications, and attendance at crucial industry events. September was a busy month of events (Oregon Hospice Association Annual Meeting, European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons) and October is shaping up to be even busier – but **Lions VisionGift** is well equipped to handle the demand.

One of the most important meetings of the month is The Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA) Fall meeting. The EBAA is the national industry accrediting group made up of member eye banks, and this meeting is an opportunity to present new research, contribute to association policies, and to network with employees of other eye banks to mine best practices and share lessons. Lions VisionGift will be sending several of our Directors to the meeting, and will be presenting some new exciting developments in our DMEK program. After the massive success of the EBAA's Annual Meeting in Portland back in April, we're really looking forward to seeing all our colleagues again – if only to hear again how amazing the meeting in Portland was!

The American Academy of Ophthalmology is also meeting in October – and this event is a BIG deal. For three full days in Chicago, some of the brightest minds and most prolific practitioners of ocular medicine will be together in the same room. Not only is this a wonderful opportunity for **Lions VisionGift** to expand the reach of our traditional services, but is also an opportunity to seek interesting collaborations in new directions. As **Lions VisionGift** develops our capabilities beyond cornea recovery and processing, it is the partnerships that are developed at events like this that will pave the way forward.

Another major event planned for October is the 2014 Fall Education Symposium in Chicago at the end of the month. Hosted by The Cornea Society, this event is a unique opportunity for Eye Banking professionals to gather with cornea surgeons and vendors to discuss the benefits of working together. Our leadership team has identified this meeting as a great opportunity to meet some of the surgeons and researchers who are affiliated with the Cornea Society, but not the EBAA. And while we attend this event every year, we always manage to come out of it with a new connection or initiative.

So this fall, as our days get shorter and the harvests are over, just know that **Lions VisionGift** is still out there – as always – tending to our fields and planning for next year.



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***Witness to Something Special***

In my service as Board-Chair, I've had the privilege of meeting several brave and generous donor families. Sometimes these families participated in a memorial project specifically linked to **Lions VisionGift**, other times they attended joint donation agency events like the yearly Donor Recognition Ceremony. Similarly, I've had the opportunity to meet many recipients of cornea grafts through the various events and committees **Lions VisionGift** volunteers have created through the years. Interestingly enough however, I haven't had many opportunities to witness these two groups together. A little bit of thought makes it clear that donation agencies have to be careful when they invite members of both groups to a common event because there are often a lot of emotions associated when a donor family meets a recipient – even if it is not the recipient of their loved one's specific donation.

The Donor Recognition Ceremony I mentioned earlier is a great example of the healing that can come from this interaction between a donor family and recipient – even when that recipient is simply serving as a proxy for the actual recipient. The catharsis that comes from this interaction is powerful and Lions VisionGift and our partner agencies (Community Tissue Services and Pacific Northwest Transplant Bank) have been looking for more opportunities to be a part of similar events.

Fortunately, our amazing Donor Family Advisory Council –a group of donor families who have gone through the process in the past and now serve as advocates and resources for the newly bereaved – organized an amazing Donor Family Picnic Event. Families brought keepsakes of their loved ones and was so well received that planning is already in the works for next years' event as well.



## Portland Downtown Lions “Pride of Portland Award”

The Broadway Rose Theatre takes the best of Broadway Musical Shows, makes them better and presents them right here in Portland area. The Portland Downtown Lions each year selects

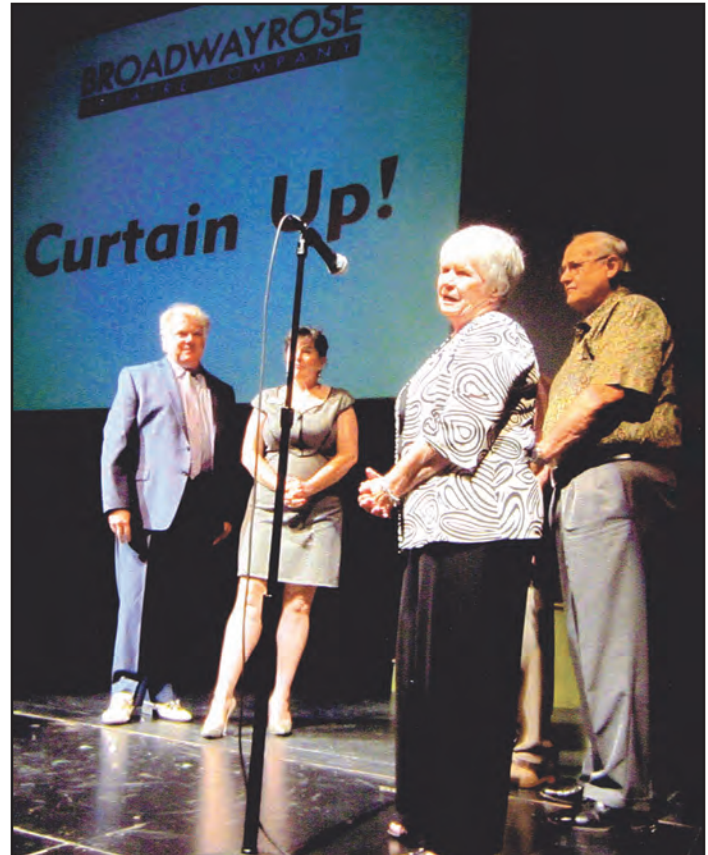


Portland Downtown Lion Merry Meek shows off the 2014 “Pride of Portland Award” in the lobby of the Broadway Rose Theatre. The Pride of Portland will have a permanent home on the wall of their new theater opening this next season.

an outstanding person, business, or organization to present this beautiful Award, a picture of the Portlandia Statue, located on the downtown Portland Building, all framed with a brass plaque describing the honorees contribution to the community.

Over 400 supporters of Broadway Rose gathered to review and hear selections from the next year’s exciting slate of shows. At the conclusion, Portland Downtown Lions President Bev Swanson came on stage with the “Pride of Portland Award” under a bright red cover. When President Bev removed the cover and gave a brief description of the reason for the presentation, she, by far, got the best applause of the evening.

This is the 24th year of the Portland Downtown Lions going to the honoree’s event and thanking them for their service. Gert Bole, Chairman of Columbia Sportswear, received the award for giving a jacket to each of the participants in World Special Olympics held in Ireland. Paul Linnman, radio/TV personality, received the award for his KEX Kids Fund that purchases eye glasses for kids in need. The



(l-r) Dan Murphy, Sharon Maroney with Lions Bev Swanson, Gary Tipton.

Portland Downtown Lion President Bev Swanson with Past President Gary Tipton presenting the Pride of Portland Award to Broadway Rose Theatre Company founders Dan Murphy, General Manager and Sharon Maroney, Artistic Director.

Pride of Portland is prominently displayed in 22 other offices around the Portland metropolitan area.

**Portland Downtown Lions Reach Out!  
Way Out!**

*submitted by PID Bill Rollins*

## Arlington Lions Discuss Club Projects

During a visit by District Governor Gerald Hopkins, the Arlington Lions Club held a discussion of their projects and then addressed some of the goals of the Governor including the planting of 100 trees in the District, submitting a picture for the Environmental Photo Contest and participating in the Peace Poster Contest. The Club's favorite projects include BINGO, pig raffle, trap shoot, golf tournament and vision screening. When asked if there was a project they would like to drop, members said they felt comfortable with those they have in place.

Following the Governor's presentation, members began a discussion of the need for trees at the trailer courts and golf course. Members also wanted additional information on the Youth Speech Contest being initiated in District G.



DG Hopkins presented Outstanding Lion Awards to President Keith Kenney (not pictured), Joan and Burt Jenkins.

*submitted by DG Gerald Hopkins*

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## Hermiston Lions Screen Schools, Work On Rotunda

The Hermiston Lions will be heavily involved with the mobile screening unit at the various schools during September including Highland Hills Elementary (8th), Armand Larvie (9th), Rocky Heights (10th), Sunset (11th) and Sandstone (12th). The Lions Sight and Hearing coordinators indicated that the schools will be providing some workers, but assistance will be needed from the Lions.

The Lions have also been involved in working with other organizations to create a rotunda with Lions signage and other information from the community.

During a visit from District Governor Gerald Hopkins, information was shared by the Governor on goals for the year including the creation of two new clubs, establishment of a Branch Club, planting of 100 trees in District G (eastern and central Oregon), entries for an environmental photo contest, donations to the Meadowood Speech Camp, support for the Youth Exchange, collection of books for children



President Tom Creasing presents DG Gerald Hopkins with Lion and boxer shorts (representing "Knock Out" theme by Governor)

and involvement in the food drives for those in need. DG Gerald praised the members for past projects including the Fair Booth, Relay for Life, Mother's Day Flower Basket sales, collection of eyeglasses and vision checks, the annual Easter Egg Hunt for disabled students, flags for first graders, scholarships and help with District Conventions.

DG Gerald then recognized Secretary Phil Spicer-Kuhn as an Outstanding Lion. He also presented Don Horneck with a 20-Year Chevron and David Nevin with a 35-Year Monarch Chevron.



(I) DG Gerald Hopkins presents Phil Spicer-Kuhn a certificate for Outstanding Lion

*submitted by DG Gerald Hopkins*

## District O - Northwest - North Coast



### District O Governor Column

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## Service – Membership – Leadership - Fellowship

Oh Mighty Lions of District 36-O! What great Lions you are! Through my visits to your clubs, I realize this more and more every day. I see consistent and growing service to individuals and communities. I see membership as a priority and it is growing. I witness leadership at every turn and I am impressed. I get to enjoy FELLOWSHIP every day! Service is always the first segment of our foundation as Lions as we get to say every time we mention our motto: "We Serve". Let's remember to focus on International President Joe's "Centennial Challenge" to commit 100 million acts of service by International Convention in 2017. Every pair of glasses you and you club collects can be an act of service. Every student you and your club help with a vision screening can be an act of service. Remember to see your Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation's website: [www.olshf.org](http://www.olshf.org) and see when there will be a school screening in your community.

Speaking of membership, things are looking great in 36-O. We will charter the Portland Legacy Lions in October and your Global Membership Team is working hard and will have a campus club at University of Portland (possibly by the time you read this). Remember, in your own club, no matter how big or small ... "Ask 1". Ask a friend, a neighbor, a business associate and grow your club!

We enjoyed our first Cabinet meeting at the Rockaway Lions on Saturday, August 23rd and it was successful. We welcomed Lion guests from Peru and accomplished a great deal. We can now sustainably support our District-wide Eyeglasses Task Force! Now that's leadership focused on service!

As for Fellowship, look for 36-O Club events on our website, [www.lionsoforegon.net](http://www.lionsoforegon.net) and enjoy! Dog walks, dinners, car shows and more!

I am so proud! Let's continue to "Do More, Better!"

## District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coast



### District R Governor Column

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## We're On A Roll

Way to go District R. So far this year we have held three club officer training sessions with more than fifty officers in attendance. That is almost twice as many as any previous year. Through the month of August we already have 23 new members and are looking at a new club on the North Coast area in Lincoln City. I know everyone is working hard at a building up our District. Thank you to all for everything you're doing.

As the winter months get closer, we need to continue our push to build District R, bigger and better than ever before. Communication is a main concern for us as a group. All clubs need to use their Zone Chairs as a main contact person and inform them as to what is happening in your club and community. Remember, for District R, October will be visitation month. Visit as many clubs as you possibly can; get to know them and work together as a pride of Lions. International President Joe Preston's theme is "Strengthen The Pride". By working together we can make it happen.

This year I have put out a Governors Challenge to all clubs in District R. Clubs who meet the challenge requirements will receive a Club Excellence Award. Here is the criteria for this award: 1) Status - Club in good standing (no outstanding dues); 2) Service - Conduct 3 service projects during the year; 3) Contribution - Club contribution to LCIF; 4) Leadership Development - Majority of Club officers have participated in training at Zone, District, Multiple District or International level; 5) Club Development - Club must host regular and meaningful meetings and submit the Monthly Membership Report (MMR), Service Activity Report and Club Officer Reporting Form (PU-101).

At the time of this writing about half of the clubs need to work on submitting their monthly reports. This area has been somewhere between hit and miss and entirely forgotten. I'm sure this is just an oversight. These reports can be completed online in about 10-15 minutes.

Thank you for being Lions! Together **WE SERVE!**



## District E - Southern - South Coast



### District E Governor Column

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As I am visiting the clubs in District E, what a great feeling of Lionism pours into me. Although each club is so different and although each club has its own agenda of what service in its community means, there is no doubt of each club's commitment to "Strengthen the Pride".

As the month of October begins, so does Membership Month. Last year President Barry said, "Just Ask", while this year President Joe says, "Ask 1". No matter how you go about it, asking is the key. The worst that can happen is that you will receive a **no** answer, while the best that can happen is a **yes** answer. In many cases, the person has never been asked before; in other cases, they may have been asked but the time was just not right. Don't give up on people who says they are too busy. At some time they will become less busy and there you are once again asking them to join this great organization of which you are a part.

Also please remember that October is Eyeglass Collection Month in Oregon with the 10th being Lions World Sight Day. I know that eyeglass collection is year round service for clubs, but I urge each club to set aside a day or a week in October to make a concentrated effort in its community for collection of used eyeglasses.

Now, as schools have started up again so has the concentrated effort by OLSHF in conducting screening at all of the schools. As I have visited the clubs here in District E, I have heard of schedules being set up and volunteers getting ready to assist. What kind of impact does screening have on the children? Well, if a child needs glasses, the impact is something that no price can be put on.

Dr. Suess said:

*"You'll be on your way up!  
You'll be seeing great sights!  
You'll join the high fliers  
who soar to high heights."*

And indeed our Lions of District E are high fliers as they keep on soaring.

## District G Central - Eastern Oregon



### District G Governor Column

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There is a definite concern I have with the growth in our District. Currently we are three clubs short of the required 35 and our numbers are down about 330 members from the required 1250. We have a lot of work to do to make ours a viable district. It starts with each Lion following International President Joe Preston's challenge, JUST ASK ONE. But we cannot stop with one. We need to continue to take in new members. With more members, we can help more individuals through our service projects. This is what makes our Lions unique. "We Serve" is the core of our organization.

We also lose many members during the Lions year. If we could just stop the exit of members, we could build our numbers. **I am asking each club's Membership Chair to follow through and find out why an individual Lion might not want to renew membership.** Don't just scratch names from the rolls. Perhaps there is some issue that can be addressed through discussion. Perhaps there is a new project that a member would like to see the club start.

As a team we are encouraging club members to make a visit to another Lions club. Aside from the information that can be obtained, and the visitation contest recognition, good fellowship and new friends are a part of the special rewards. Exchange ideas and possibly work on projects together. The doors are wide open.

It is heartwarming to see the impact we are having on communities. Many of the clubs are involved with vision and hearing screening for school students. At those events, there are community volunteers and school staff. Why not give them an invitation to join? The Columbia Gorge Lions just finished up Sternwheeler Days. The Club worked with community volunteers to make the event happen, and the entire community benefitted from the project.

Let's have a great year, thank others for what they do, strengthen the Pride and remember, "It's Round Three-Knockout Time!"

## Study Finds Obesity is Fueling Rise in Diabetes Rates

Researchers looked at data from five national surveys spanning from 1978 through 2010 to determine how much the increase in diabetes over time could be explained by factors such as changing distribution of race, age and obesity in U.S. adults.

The investigators found that the prevalence of diabetes in men rose from about 5 percent to more than 11 percent. In women, it rose from under 6 percent to nearly 9 percent. When the researchers looked at factors that might contribute to rising diabetes rates, obesity stood out. Although for men, it only explained about half the increase, according to the researchers. The study cannot explain why men's diabetes rates are increasing more than women's or exactly what factors are behind the rise.

"Overweight and obesity explained most of the increase in the prevalence of diabetes in the U.S. during this time period," said study researcher Andy Menke, an epidemiologist with Social & Scientific Systems, a private research organization. Obesity is likely the biggest factor behind the increase in type 2 diabetes.

The other factors they looked at such as age, race and ethnicity "had little influence on changes in diabetes prevalence (during the study time period)," he said. The study survey data didn't allow the researchers to control for factors such as physical activity, which are known to effect diabetes risk.

More than 29 million Americans have diabetes, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Type 2 diabetes is by far the most common type of diabetes, according to the American Diabetes Association (ADA).

Don't forget that November is National Diabetes month. Contact your District Diabetes Chairman and see if there might be a walk for diabetes in your area that you could participate in or start one yourself. The members of your club would probably be willing to participate.

*Life might not be the party we asked for but we might as well dance while we're here!*

MD36 Diabetes Chair  
Lion Charlie Tate

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## Portland Downtown Lions Club Helps With Supplies

Portland Downtown Lions Bev Swanson and Nita Rollins delivered school supplies to North Clackamas School students. Lots of great backpacks were full of useful school supplies including folders, pencils and paper.

*submitted by PID Bill Rollins*



Bev Swanson and Nita Rollins delivering backpacks



Lion Nita and Bev prepare to deliver school supplies to North Clackamas School students

## Hog Wild Days and Pig Train Favorites of Lions

One of the favorite projects of the Island City Lions is giving out scholarships to students. The Island City Lions did that by honoring Craig Hopper and Lilly Page with \$500 scholarships and Tannar Willson with \$1,000. According to President Dan Cosner, the students exemplify model students and “they will do well with future service.” It was noted that Tannar has worked with the Club on the Island City parkway as a Club project.

During the official visit from District Governor Gerald, members discussed and listed their favorite projects with Hog Wild Days and the Pig Train topping the list of the many Club projects. Others projects included Christmas lights for the parkway, screening students for sight and hearing, peace posters, “Man of the Month”, duck race, Christmas socks, canned food drives and the back pack program. Members did not want to see any of their projects dropped, but suggested being more involved with senior citizens, distributing books to students, having a community Christmas tree lighting and increasing membership, including individuals from Cove. DG Gerald stressed the need to increase membership within the District and stated there was a positive correlation between having projects and membership.

Sheila Evans told the group that 77 students were screened during the Apple Eye Care block party, while 87 flags were passed out to students riding the Pig Train. Lion Art Creson reported that he and his wife Jun, had been asked to consider a support group for individuals with low vision needs and he will discuss this support with the Club at a future meeting.



(l-r) President Dan Cosner presented scholarships to Craig Hopper, Tannar Willson and Lilly Page

DG Gerald finished his presentation by recognizing Al and Dee Weathermon with pins from Lions Clubs International for 15 years of community service and Dan and Monita Woollard as outstanding Lions for the year.

*submitted by Gerald Hopkins  
photos by Lowell Beeman*



Lions Al and Dee Weathermon receive recognition from Lions Clubs International from (l) Governor Gerald Hopkins

Dan and Monita Wollard were presented with recognition plaques from (center) DG Gerald Hopkins



## Hood River Eye Openers Lions Prepare For Fly-In

The Hood River Eye Openers Lions set their major business session on the Hood River Fly-In scheduled for September 6th and 7th. Much of the business meeting dealt with logistics for the program in which the Lions will be serving a 7a.m. breakfast for the event. The Fly-In is one of the Club's major projects.

Also discussion was held regarding the funding for the LEOs and the amount of money needed to send the youth on trips. Paul Zastrow also discussed requests for fireworks at the local sporting events and listed the dates these would occur.

District Governor Gerald Hopkins praised the Club for their support to the Follies and funding for the Oregon Sight and Hearing Foundation. He also noted other projects the Club has supported such as youth scholarships, county fair parking, Salvation Army Bell Ringing, hearing aids and glasses, diabetes awareness and the mobile screening unit. He noted that through the Lions Screening program, over 80,000 students have been given visual tests across the state. The Club related that the Fly-In was their favorite project but others included Families in the Park, eye screening, fireworks and photos of Santa. New projects the members would like to see included an emphasis with students such as the sponsorship of the Youth Exchange, Christmas toys for the youth, increased service with the LEOs and a polar dip. The Lions related that they did not want to drop any of the projects they are supporting at this time.



(l-r) DG Hopkins, Lions Len Hickman, Erma Hickman and Paul Zastrow

ing the Odell Lions with their Snack Wagon. A second duel certificate was given by the Governor to Dave and Sarah Kalousdian for their assistance with the Fourth of July. Dave is a member and Sarah volunteers for the group.

Two 15-year Chevrons were presented by DG Hopkins to Erma Hickman and Shawn Melyle, as well as a 40-Year Monarch Chevron to James MaCClain.

*submitted by DG Gerald Hopkins*



## Mohawk Valley Helping Hand Food Pantry Sponsored by Mohawk Valley Lions Club Foundation Greets Oregon Senator Lee Beyer

Senator Lee Beyer visited the Helping Hand Food Pantry at the monthly food distribution Tuesday, August 12th. He was there at the invitation of FOOD for Lane County (FFLC) Community Engagement & Advocacy Coordinator, Kara Smith.

Helping Hand Food Pantry is sponsored by Mohawk Valley Lions Club and other community donors. The two organizations share the new Mohawk Valley Lions Club Foundation (MVLFCF) facility in Marcola. This shared tenancy allows both community service organizations to work together to better serve our community needs.



Lion Joe Miller, Lion Jesse Harris, DG Darrell Scott, Kara Smith, FFLC and Senator Lee Beyer

In May of this year, Helping Hand Food Pantry Manger, Michele Freese, Assistant Manager, Lisa Johnson, and their volunteer staff received an excellent report from FOOD for Lane County on their Annual Sight Inspection. This honor is especially noteworthy in that Helping Hand has been operating less than a year in this new location in the building in front of the Marcola Community Market. Each month the volunteers pick up an average of 6,500 pounds of food from the FOOD for Lane County headquarters in Eugene and distribute it to an average of 50 families in the Mohawk Valley on the second Tuesday. In addition, this past year 196 adults and 66 children received one-time emergency food boxes.

As the new fiscal sponsor of Helping Hand Food Pantry, the Mohawk Valley Lions Club Foundation was represented by Lions Patty Tilton, President; Joe Miller, MVLFCF Executive Director; Jess Harris, Past President; and Oregon Lions District R Governor, Darrell Scott.

This was an opportunity to thank Senator Beyer for helping to pass the Crop Donation Tax Credit Bill and for the Senator to become acquainted with the all-volunteer staff at our local FFLC Food Pantry and the important community service they provide.

*submitted by Jess Harris*

## Cottage Grove Lions Celebrate 90th Birthday

The Cottage Grove Lions Club celebrated its 90th birthday with a salmon barbecue July 17th at the Benson residence for Club members and their families.

Front row (l-r) Lions Doug Lund, Jim Gilroy, Darby Valley, Alan Payment, and Wendy Sue Benson. Back row (l-r) Lions Jim Eberle, Matt Bjornn, Jerry Thompson, Eric Benson, Jim Gant, Jim Downing, Aaron Shumway, Lloyd Williams, Ken Harris and Richard Morss. (Not pictured Lion Ric Christian)



*submitted by Carla Williams  
Photo by Barbara Gant*

## Madras Lions Prepare For Golf Scramble

The Madras Lions Club is setting up a Golf Scramble as its newest Lion project. The Scramble will be held Saturday, October 11th at the



Lion Dennis Hardman shows poster to be sent to the Clubs and community

Desert Peaks Golf Club starting at 8:30am with the Shotgun start at 9:00am. The entry fee is \$50.00 per person, which includes the green fees and golf cart. The success of the Scramble will determine if the Club continues it as a major event.

During the official visit by District Governor Gerald Hopkins, members said they had no Club projects they wanted dropped but listed the Sight & Hearing screening, flags for the community, and 4th of July Hamburger Feed as their favorite projects. The Club has also set up one day of the week as an evening meeting to reach out to those Lions who cannot attend the noon meetings.

Members asked for information on the new District G Youth Speech Contest to be held at

the March District G Convention. DG Gerald will have the paper work sent to the Club. DG Gerald then recognized President Dennis Hardman for the Outstanding Lion Award.



Dennis Hardman receives Outstanding Lion Award from DG Gerald Hopkins



Lions Elaine and Don playfully box with miniature gloves given by the Governor for new member sponsorship

*submitted by DG Gerald Hopkins*

## Lion Hardy Delivers More Than 60 Pounds of Tabs

Lions clubs across the state of Oregon are collecting pull tabs from cans to donate to the Ronald McDonald House to help families with victims of cancer. The tabs are being collected in conjunction with cans collected to send WW II veterans to Washington D.C. to view memorials.

The drive in District G (eastern and central Oregon) had a big boost when Elgin Lion Pam Hardy unloaded 60.6 pounds of tabs given to her by friends after reading the goals in the *Observer*. "Some of my friends read the story and readily donated the tabs to me," said Lion Pam. "I think I will be getting many more," she exclaimed.

Lion Blake Marlia of the Baker City Lions is

serving as chair for the project, and tabs will be forwarded to him for distribution.



*submitted by Gerald Hopkins*

## Being Part of Your Community Makes A Healthy Club!

The Central Lions Club had a great community summer. Their activities have included several members handing out 3,200 U.S. flags during the 4th of July parade and holding 2 screening events. One was held at the local grocery store and one at the Senior Center. The Club collected over 10,000 returnable cans and bottles for the Honor Flight program. The Central Club has also gained 6 new members this summer.

The keys to our Club's success, which could be your success as well, are:

1. Central Lions Club **always has a project** to be worked on; members all have an opportunity to help serve their community and to have ownership in the projects. Projects are both service projects and fundraisers.
2. Other community organizations are **asked to help with the Lions projects**. With the help of the local Boy Scouts, the Lions collected over 10,000 cans and bottles for the Honor Flight Program. This means that Central Lions Club will donate over \$1,500 to help Honor Flight to send a veteran to see the Washington, DC Memorials.
3. Community members are asked **to help with projects**. Yes, the club asks folks to join them for lunch sometimes, but perspective members are always asked to help with projects.
4. Both service and fundraising **projects are geared toward the community's needs**.
5. **Meetings are well organized** with speakers, 3 times a month, and once a month the Club holds a meeting to discuss Club items of interest.

These are the keys to a healthy club: select interesting projects, seek community involvement, ask for help with projects, fulfill community needs and conduct well organized meetings. These are only the basics, but they will help you have a healthy and successful club.

*submitted by Rod Bach*



Senior citizen received help from Lion Debbie Bach during a hearing exam



Screening results being reviewed for Dorthy by Lions Jan and Debbie



Lion PCC Charlie Tate received training from DG Brad King to do blood pressure testing



Getting ready to hand out 3,200 flags at the Monmouth/ Independence parade. Visitor Gayden from Fresno CA, and Central Lions Sharon, June and Scott. Their efforts were appreciated by all.



Scout Walter and Lion Gene sorted bottles



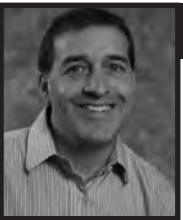
## Lions Leaving A Legacy

❖ *Jason Shaner, Chair*

Baseball has Cooperstown, the NFL has Canton, Ohio and basketball has the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. But did you know that your Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation has its own Hall of Fame? Turn to page 17 and see all the members of our Hall of Fame, including new inductees Wally Anderson, Tom Bessonette and William “Page” Douglas (posthumous).

Founded in 2010, the OLSHF Hall of Fame includes the founders of the Foundation (Norm Ross) and Lions VisionGift (John Anderson), as well as the driving forces behind legislation that changed the process of enucleation (Walt Trandum, Tom Bessonette) and the creation of the Mobile Health Screening Program (Art Abbott and Don Green). Speaking of driving forces, the Hall of Fame also includes two MHSP event coordinators (Warren Heathman and Wally Anderson) that between them have covered over 400,000 miles traveling MD-36 to provide free health screenings for those in need. Not to be outdone, another Hall of Famer drove over 165,000 miles in service to the Foundation (George Sahlberg). The Hall of Fame also includes the first woman Chair of the Foundation (Marguerite Hofferber), a former Chief of Ophthalmology at the Devers Eye Institute (Dr. Richard Chenoweth), a LCI PID (Dennis Tichenor) and other Past Chairs of the Foundation (Mo Jaffer, Don Bowers).

I encourage you to honor a deserving Lion in your Club, Zone or District by nominating someone for consideration to the Hall of Fame. Individual Lions or non-Lions with a minimum 10 years of service to the Foundation in a leadership or volunteer service role will be considered. Nominations should be made in writing, 250 words or less, and can be submitted to OLSHF Executive Director Doug Thompson.



## You Can Leave a Legacy Too!

❖ *Doug Thompson, Executive Director*

We hear the expression “leaving a legacy” quite a bit, but have you ever stopped to think of the different ways this can be accomplished? Everyone wants to be remembered after they’re gone, to feel that we’ve contributed something to the world, but not everyone knows how to go about doing it. Here are a just a few ideas for leaving your legacy:

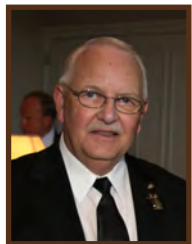
Researching and documenting your family history is a great way to let your children and grandchildren understand where they – and you – came from. Adding your personal narrative by describing your relationships with your parents and grandparents, and other relatives will provide an archive of your family history that will be kept and treasured by your family for generations.

**Write a legacy letter.** Imagine you didn’t have much time left, what would you want your loved ones to know? Let your youngest grandchild know how proud you are of their academic success, tell your spouse how much you appreciate the sacrifices that were made early in your relationship, be sure your children know just how much you admire the career path they chose. Not talking about sharing computer passwords or what color flowers for your services, share with your loved ones how they brought you happiness in life.

**Plan a Gift to Charity.** A great way to leave a legacy is to contribute money or other assets to a nonprofit organization that reflects your values. As they say, you can’t take it with you, but you can continue to help others in need long after you’re gone. Our programs at OLSHF benefit greatly from those that have planned gifts to the Foundation and we have estate planning services that we can provide to you at no cost, with no strings attached. Contact us and we’d be happy to help you leave your legacy.



## WALLY ANDERSON



Lion Wally Anderson

Wally has worked with the Mobile Health Screening Program for 13 years traveling more than 15,000 miles per year throughout the state to screen the sight and hearing of 350,000 people - school children

as well as adults, discovering thousands of potential health issues. Wally, a Beaverton Lions Club member, spent years volunteering in his community.

If asked what the most difficult part of his job is, Wally will tell you it's when you've visited a school several times and you recognize the child in need. It is Wally's mission to educate schools, parents and communities about sight and hearing resources so that no vulnerable child goes without care. He has embraced the use of technology and loves the Spot photo screening device!

Wally embodies everything our foundation strives to achieve.



## TOM BESSONETTE

Tom was born in Eugene but spent most of his life in Klamath Falls. While in high school he met his future wife and on December 29, 1945, Bettie and Tom were married. They have one son, Mike, and three daughters, Julia, Susan and Sally.

Tom was invited to join the Crater Lions Club in Medford by a friend. He joined on February 19th, 1951. Eventually Tom and his family moved to Central Oregon. Now in his 63rd year as a Lion, Tom has served in many capacities including as a Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor and in 1960 he was elected District Governor.



Lion Tom Bessonette

In 1998, he served as Chairman of the Lions VisionGift. Then he joined the Executive Committee of OLSHF, becoming Chair in 2002. Tom's contribution to our success has been invaluable!

## CELEBRATING OLSHF HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Each year, OLSHF's Hall of Fame Gala hosts about 150 guests who enjoy an engaging event honoring current and past inductees into the Hall of Fame. This is our time to share the rich history of Lions and OLSHF. Our programs succeed because of the support and dedication of our amazing Lions leaders and their loved ones.

We have so much to celebrate! Thank you for sharing stories and looking back with pride at the tremendous impact we've made in our communities through the Foundation. We hope the Inductees, Lions, their families, friends and supporters can join us at next year's event!

### LIKE WILLIAM "PAGE DOUGLAS, YOU TOO CAN LEAVE A LEGACY

It's never too late to learn about how to create your own legacy for the people and places you love. Update your estate plan or create a new one. We have free resources including an estate planning guide and inventory form. Plan your end of the year charitable gift from your IRA—without a tax penalty—through the end of 2014. Please call Doug Thompson, Executive Director, at (503) 413-7399 to talk further about leaving a legacy that can benefit many.



## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

- Dr. Richard Chenoweth (2009)
- Marguerite Hofferber (2010)
- Denny Tichenor (2011)
- Warren Heathman (2011)
- Art Abbott (2012)
- Mo Jaffer (2012)
- George Sahlberg (2012)
- Don Bowers (2013)
- Walt Trandum (2013)
- Wally Anderson (2014)
- Tom Bessonette (2014)

### *Posthumously*

- Norman Ross (2010)
- John Anderson, Sr. (2011)
- Victor De'Prey (2012)
- Don Green (2013)
- William "Page" Douglas (2014)







## GIFTS & GRANTS

**Lion Pride: \$2,500-\$4,999**  
 Portland Columbia Lions Club

**Lion Sentinel: \$1,000-\$2,499**  
 Campbell Wallace Foundation  
 Jason Shaner

**Lion Tamer: \$500-\$999**  
 Delta Gamma Foundation  
 Lebanon Lions Club

**Lion Patron: \$100—\$499**  
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**MEMORIAL GIFTS**  
**In Memory of Jim Anderson**  
 Janet Hasson  
 Gerald Monroe

**In Memory of Clarence Blair**  
 Roger & Paula Trueax

**In Memory of John Codino**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins  
 Hood River Lions Club  
 Roger & Paula Trueax

**In Memory of Marie De Grande**  
 Keno Lions Club

**In Memory of Daniel G. Johnson**  
 Elsie Johnson

**In Memory of Johnnie Johnston**  
 Charles Blanchard

**In Memory of Mike Matychuck**  
 Rod & Debbie Bach  
 Dorothy Schwartz  
 Yvonne & John Hamson

**In Memory of A.C. Moore**  
 Carol Newman

**In Memory of Mike Newell**  
 Gerald Monroe

**In Memory of Ted Schwartz**  
 Mo & Patricia Jaffer

**In Memory of Mr. Ernest Tatyrek**  
 Odell Lioness Club

## GIFTS IN HONOR

**In Honor of Wally Anderson**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins

**In Honor of Tom Bessonette**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins

**In Honor of Dennis Mahoney**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins

**In Honor of Keith & Ann Warren's  
 50th Anniversary**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins

**In Honor of Judith Page**  
 Dr. Gerald & Mary Martha Hopkins

## P.R.I.D.E. DONORS

*Monthly Recurring Gifts*

<b>Alice Bender</b>	<b>Dale &amp; Sharon Rollins</b>
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<b>Rennie Cleland</b>	<b>Jason Shaner</b>
<b>Neesie Doss</b>	<b>Roger &amp; Paula Trueax</b>
<b>Jo Hallam</b>	<b>Mary Lee Turner</b>
<b>Jim &amp; Sue Jagers</b>	<b>Paul Zastrow</b>
<b>Chuck &amp; Marge La Tourette</b>	

**DID YOU KNOW YOUR CUMULATIVE RECURRING GIFT COUNTS  
 TOWARDS FOUNDATION AWARDS?**

**HONOR THE PERSON, BUSINESS OR CLUB OF YOUR CHOICE WITH A  
 HELEN KELLER, SPIRIT OF SERVICE, OR AN HONOR ROLL AWARD.**

Contributions list includes gifts received August 16– September 15, 2014 only.  
 Every effort is made to ensure the accuracy and completeness of our list of donors.  
 We apologize for any omissions and would appreciate you bringing any to our attention.

## VIVA LAS VEGAS!

### OLSHF STAFF ATTEND NATION'S LARGEST VISION EXPO FOR LEAP



International Vision Expo & Conference West is the world's most inclusive ophthalmic conference and expo., with education covering the full spectrum of medical, diagnostic, lab and practice management skills and the latest trends in eyewear fashion.

This past September, several OLSHF staff members attended #Vision-Expo in Las Vegas. Associate Director Brenda Anderson, Programs & Operations Director Kerith Vance, and LEAP Optical Manager-To-Be Katie Warren were able to visit with a multitude of vendors and partners as we develop our own optical finishing lab. Recent grant funding enabled staff to attend the Expo and helped us save about \$10,000.

Thanks to Coffee Creek Optical Program Director Kelly Shannon, who was our patient guide throughout the event, Katie was able to attend several classes, while Kerith and Brenda explored the massive show-room floor. We made new friends including Carl of Modern Optical, Leo of Vision Systems, Inc., and even Bob who works with Hilco and stars in their educational videos (a special treat for the discerning fan of optical education videos).

This event enabled us to negotiate deals and take advantage of "show specials" that saved OLSHF thousands on new and refurbished equipment.



The team with Carl and Modern Optical



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR WEBINAR SERIES

### OCTOBER 8 WEBINAR - ENCORE PRESENTATION OF LEAP OPTICAL - FINISHING LAB

The Lions Eyeglass Assistance Program (LEAP) will soon be manufacturing brand new eyeglasses and making them available to Lions Clubs and the providers you work with at a low, affordable price. This new LEAP Lab promises to change the landscape of providing new eyeglasses to people in need and has the potential to stretch your Lions Club's hard earned dollars even further. You and any other members of your Lions Clubs are invited to learn more about the new LEAP Lab by participating in the OLSHF October LEAP Webinar. **Join us for a LEAP webinar on October 8 at 4:00 PM.** Please visit our Facebook page, check your email for an invitation or register directly online at <http://goo.gl/nA9fXg>.

### OCTOBER 16 WEBINAR - PATIENT SERVICES AND PUTTING "WE SERVE" TO WORK

Here is your opportunity to learn what Lions Clubs throughout the multiple district are doing in their community through the nine direct service programs of your OLSHF. Join us to learn how to coordinate a school or community health screening; how to apply for sight or hearing surgery or treatment; how to help someone with an exam, hearing aid or eyeglasses; and what happens to a donated pair of eyeglasses.

Lions live their motto of *We Serve* through these efforts every day. **Join us for an exciting service based webinar on October 16 at 11:00 AM.** Please visit our Facebook page, check your email for an invitation or register directly online at <http://goo.gl/xe4fSC>.

## CALLING ALL LIONS - HAVE WE GOT A JOB FOR YOU!!

Thanks to the Lions Clubs of Oregon and our MHSP staff, over 110,000 students will receive vision screenings this Fall—a record-breaking number! OLSHF anticipates screening twice as many students this year for vision and hearing issues than previous years!

For easier and more accurate screenings, OLSHF is using the objective Spot photo screening devices and has separated its vision and hearing events. Volunteers like YOU are imperative to the success of these screenings. The following are some the comments we received in September from volunteers about their service experience:

*"I thoroughly enjoyed volunteering... I had fun interacting with the kids and the experience went well with my passion for health and wellness."* —Jerome Susi, RN and school volunteer

*"Having all the [screenings] has been great! Everything was so well organized and it ran so smoothly!"*—Beaverton school nurse

*"This has been a great experience. These kiddos are so cute and knowing they're getting these important screenings is the reason I'm here."*—Raleigh Hills school parent

*"I work the night shift and get home about 2 a.m. I slept a few hours, then came in to volunteer. I wanted to be a part of something that was going to help my daughter."*—Consuelo Castorena, Raleigh Hills school parent



Crooked River Ranch Lions screen at a local school.

**CONTACT OLSHF AT [MHSP@OLSHF.ORG](mailto:MHSP@OLSHF.ORG)  
 OR CALL 800-635-4667 TO DISCUSS  
 HOW YOUR CLUB CAN HELP COORDINATE  
 SCREENINGS IN YOUR COMMUNITY!**

## Baker Lions Enjoy Wide Range of Activities

During a visit by District Governor Gerald Hopkins, the Baker City Lions relayed they had a wide variety of Club activities with Miner's Jubilee, Radio Days and Memorial Parkway being the favorites. Other activities have included a new park bench at the playground, a bird interpretive panel, horseshoe tournament, regional baseball tournament, National Night Out, community calendar, eyeglass collection and sorting, basketball tournament assistance, shoes for kids, hearing and sight assistance, bicycle race assistance, burn barrels for the Christmas parade, parkway adoption, Lions Memorial Park and diabetes and deaf school scholarships as a few of the projects the Club has adopted. Three students were recently sponsored to the Gales Creek Summer Camp.

DG Gerald Hopkins outlined some of the goals he hopes Lions will address for the year, such as participating in the Youth Speech Contest and the Peace Poster Contest, planting of 100 trees within the District, collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House, holding membership drives, promoting community vision awareness, submitting photos for the Environmental Photo Contest and collecting books for children. He noted that Lions across the District have been asked to send environmental photos and pop tabs to Blake Marlia of the Baker City Lions Club.

Chevrons were then distributed on behalf of International President Joe Preston for service years in the Club. Those awards went to: Blake Marlia -10 yrs., Dale Curtis-10 yrs., Jeff Nelson-10 yrs., Kathy Taylor-15 yrs., Gerald Yeoumans-20 yrs., Lynn Pryse-25 yrs., Charles Wiltse-30 yrs. and James Tomlinson-40 yrs.

The Governor also recognized Blake Marlia,

## Eastern Oregon Mobile Slaughter Presented Business Of Year

Eastern Oregon Mobile Slaughter of Hermiston was selected as the Business of the Year for the District G Lions. The award application was submitted by the Arlington Lions Club. Secretary Joan Jenkins stated, "Each year our Club buys a 4-H pig to raffle. This is a major fund raiser for us. Eastern Oregon Mobile Slaughter in Hermiston provides cutting and wrapping for us. It is through their donations that we are able to have savings on our raffle project."



Arlington Lions (l-r) Keith Kenny, Burt Jenkins, Jeff Wilkins and Joan Jenkins, along with District Governor Gerald Hopkins, presented the plaque to owners (center) Teresa and Ted Horn

Dr. Logan Mitchell, Kathy and Rick Taylor as outstanding Lions. He added, "You all need to pat yourself on the back for the many projects you do for your community." Lion Blake followed up with a thank you note he received that read:

"Dear Lions Club Members,

We would like to thank you once again for sending McKenzie and other children to Gales Creek Camp. It's such a fantastic place. McKenzie has an amazing time each year and we can't thank you enough for your support."

*submitted by Gerald Hopkins*

## Blood Drive At Rockaway

Twice a year the Rockaway Lions sponsor the Red Cross Blood Drive in Rockaway Beach. Working together with the Red Cross, thirty people pre-registered to give blood. On August 28th, the Club House was turned into a clinic and 28 pints of blood was collected. Blood Drive Chairman Lion George Belnap and several Rockaway Lions greeted, checked registration and provided refreshment to donors. The next blood drive is scheduled for February 18, 2015.

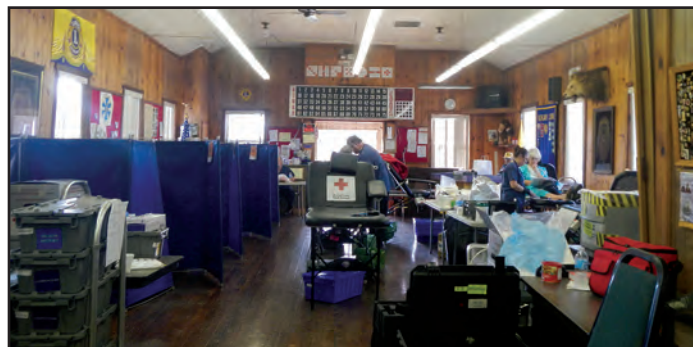
*submitted by LuLu Bowman*



**Lion Ron Hemberry checked in pre-registered donors**



**(l-r) Lions Robin Herrington, Dixie Sexton and George Belnap**



**Club House turned into a clinic**

## Roseburg Umpqua Lions Present Awards at Banquet

The Roseburg Umpqua Lions Club held their Annual Installation Banquet on Sunday, September 14th, 2014, at the Black and Bleu Bistro in Roseburg. Lions Donda King and Carol Johnson were presented with Lion of the Year Awards by outgoing President Scott Kelley to cap-off an exciting evening of great food and relaxation.

The Umpqua Lions meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Tom Tom Restaurant at 6:30pm. and will have the District Governor as guest speaker at the November 5th meeting. Anyone interested in joining the Lions is invited to attend.

At the first meeting of the new year, the membership voted to donate \$200 to the Weed, CA. Lions disaster fund to be used to assist those in need to the recent wildfire that left many families homeless.

*submitted by Colby Baker*

## Pop Tops from Cans Put To Good Use



Pam Hardy and Elgin Lion President Gregory Chamberlin show can pop tops that have been collected and will be sent to the Ronald McDonald House to assist families of cancer victims. The tabs are being collected state wide by the Lions and the plastic container of tabs was collected from "Cans for Vets," a Lions project to send vets to Washington D.C.

*submitted by DG Gerald Hopkins*

## District 36-O Hosts Visitors from Peru

What began as a call for help four years ago has now united North America and South America in a very special way. Four years ago Lion Lori Anderson received a call from Dr. Jeff Isreal for help to translate for FACES Foundation, which was working with children in Peru. Lion Lori called on Lion Lidia Salinas, as she knew Lidia spoke Spanish.

Lions Lori and Lidia, as members of the West Linn Riverview Lions Club whose motto is "TO SERVE", responded to the request and began communicating with a community in Peru. Dr. Tom Albert, founder of FACES, had performed cleft palate surgeries on some children in Peru and needed to continue follow-up treatment with them, but needed someone who could speak to the children, their parents and the volunteers who had recruited the children. This volunteer happened to be the President of the Lions Club of Lambayeque Ciudad Evocadora in Peru.



**Our guests, Emperatriz Orbegoso Sandoval and Teresa Bancallan de Castillo, did a presentation (with Lion Lidia translating throughout the meeting for both our guests and our Club members) on how hard their Lions Clubs have been working to support the people in Peru**

Two Lions from West Linn, Oregon, communicating with Lions from Peru could only speak the same language "LIONISM". The idea of twinning clubs began; the work continued but it included sending hearing aids and glasses to Peru.

With the support and hard work of PID Dennis Tichenor from the Milwaukie Lions Club, PCC David Rich and his wife Lion Penny Rich from the Beaverton Lions Club, PID Dr. Sunny Pulley, along with members from the Portland Downtown



**Our guests from Peru shared wonderful hand-crafted pins. Note these are very tiny and the detail in the art is incredible!**

Lions Club and OLS&H Foundation, a DREAM became a REALITY.

During the month of August 2014, Oregon Lions and FACES Foundation had the privilege of hosting 9 Peruvian Lion members from three Lion Clubs from Lambayeque Ciudad Evocadora, Peru; they were hosted by Lion families in the Portland, Beaverton, and West Linn areas. Our guests had the opportunity to visit the Oregon State Capitol, Silver Creek State Park, Mt. Hood, OHSU and the Portland Rose Gardens. Our guests could not find enough words to express their appreciation for the natural beauty of our state and the friendship of our people.

These three organizations joined forces and now this has spread to other Lion clubs in the 36-O Regional District in Oregon, from Hood River Leos Club to Rockaway Lions and in Peru to 14 Lion Clubs in the H-I Regional District in Lambayeque and to other organizations such as Café Femenino in Vancouver, Washington. They have also been working in Northern Peru empowering women who work in the coffee industry. The new goal for these Lions along with continuing their present work is to unite FACES, Lions in Oregon, Lions in Lambayeque and Café Femenino to eradicate the problem of Pterygium in Northern Peru. This includes working with a Lions club from Logan, Utah, which has also started this program in Peru.



**A group shot**

The nine Lions from Peru visited the West Linn Riverview Lions Club on August 21st. The photos summarize their visit to the club.

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*submitted by Robin Smith, West Linn Riverview Lions Club*

# An Option For Receiving *The Oregon Lion* Magazine

To: Lions of Multiple District 36  
From: MD 36 Communications Committee  
Re: ***The Oregon Lion*** and Budget Implications

The 2013-14 Council of Governors has adopted the recommendations from the Communications Committee at their Council meeting on May 15th, 2014, regarding ***The Oregon Lion*** magazine and its impact on the MD 36 Budget. With the continued loss of membership as well as escalating costs for print media, it was decided to eliminate three (3) of the eleven (11) printed issues of the magazine, saving approximately \$2,460 per issue. The net income from District Conference/Convention advertising as well as from Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation and Oregon Lions VisionGift comes to approximately \$10,700, while the costs for printing and mailing the eleven (11) issues of the magazine is budgeted at \$26,620. The current proposed 2014-15 budget has a shortfall of \$4,555. Elimination of the three (3) issues would allow a savings of \$7,260, which would give the ability to add back some \$3,205 to be used for programs. The issues that would be eliminated would be October, March and June. The months of July/August, September, November, December, January, February, April and May would still be published. All eleven (11) issues would be available on the MD 36 website by the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.

The Communications Committee also recommended that those willing to receive ***The Oregon Lion*** issues via the Website or via electronic means have the ability to indicate so by a check-off method. For each person so choosing, there will be a savings to the MD of \$0.61 per issue, which could be added to overall programs as ***The Oregon Lion*** printing and mailing budget would be thus reduced. Additionally, this check-off will be published in the magazine for several issues.

For those of you receiving the electronic version, your issue will not be sent in the form of an email. You will need to go to the website: [md36lionsclubs.org](http://md36lionsclubs.org) and click on the list on the left that reads: **THE OREGON LION MAGAZINE ARCHIVES**. Look for the current month issue. The check-off options are as stated below:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby ask that I receive ***The Oregon Lion*** via electronic means on the Lions website.

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ do not wish to receive ***The Oregon Lion*** via electronics, but instead wish to continue with a paper copy sent to my home address.

Please send your option to: MD36 Headquarters Office, 1075 Washington Street, Suite #212, Eugene, OR 97401 or by email to: [md36lions@comcast.net](mailto:md36lions@comcast.net)

## Portland Oaks Bottom Hold Annual Dinner

On September 9th, 2014, twenty-four Portland Oaks Bottom Lions and friends gathered at the home of Lions Ron and Fran Shaw for a delicious potluck dinner. The attendees contributed the money they would have paid for a meal at a restaurant, with the proceeds of this meal going to the Joan Atkinson Memorial Christmas Fund. Joan was a very active Lion in the Oaks Bottom Lions Club and she passed away 4 years ago. The Portland Oaks Bottom Lions honor her memory with this annual dinner. We raised \$660 which will then be donated to the Oregon Food Bank to be used for Christmas meals for those in need.

*submitted by Edwina Swart*



Club members gather to enjoy comradery



## Lions Americanism Program! Liberty, Justice and Freedom For All!

### Keizer Lions Club

Americanism Price List & Order Form

Price List	No. Ordered	Cost
Sets .85 X	_____	= _____
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An invoice will accompany your order. Shipping and handling charges will be added to each order:

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