



Fort Vancouver Lions Club
Vancouver, WA., U.S.A.

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December 2011 ISSUE

Join Us Each Week
On Friday at High Noon!
Bill's Chicken & Steak
2200 St. Johns Blvd.

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**NOVEMBER SPEAKERS
PROGRAM DIRECTOR
HALLIE KOFSTAD**

December 2nd
Lori Gregory
Llama Farms
December 9th
Ranee
Shared Hope
International
December 16th
Xmas Meeting
@ Skill Center
Carolers
December 23rd
No Meeting
December 30th
No Meeting

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President's Corner

Happy Holiday Season to one and all!

We have just finished serving Thanksgiving lunch to the students at Washington Elementary, honoring the firemen and women at Fire Station 1 for First Responders Day, folded several thousand bags and collected stuffed animals for the Santa Store. This has been a very busy November. We are now ready to jump into completing the season of giving and sharing. Just what we Lions are all about.

We begin with Walk and Knock. Lions of SW Washington's signature service project. Started by Lions in Longview and Vancouver this event has spread throughout the United States. Many Ft. Vancouver Lions will walk, gather, pack, load and unload the tons of food items collected – we are proud of each and every one. A special thanks to Lion Lee Denny who has organized the distribution of many food collection barrels and arranging for the coffee and drinks that the bag folding volunteers enjoyed. Once again, Lion Lee has “walked the talk” of WE SERVE. A special thanks also to Lion Adam Hege-ward for his continual work on the Walk and Knock committee.

As we look into the coming weeks the calendar is filled with wondrous service projects that show the true spirit of giving. Once again we will be assisting the Salvation Army with their work – December 8 & 9 – call new Lions Bruce and Nancy Preece to help with a shift. This takes a lot of help, the shifts are 2 hours long – sign up for more than one! Thanks Bruce

and Nancy!

Our foremost service project will be the Santa Store. This year it will be open Thursday, December 15 with set-up the afternoon before. Contact Lion Sandy Hammond if you are interested in helping with this fun event. We work towards this happy time all year long. We are the grateful recipients of many stuffed animals from the employees of the New Phoenix Casino in LaCenter. Our own members have donated many fine looking critters for the children as well. We are still looking for more.

We will be celebrating the season with our annual Christmas Luncheon at the Clark County Skills Center on Friday, December 16. Reservations are needed – 696-9162. Lunch served by the culinary students will be \$13.

We will not be meeting Friday, December 23 or December 30. Mark your calendars!

Merry Christmas to each of you. I am most proud to count you as friends, not only in service but in my daily life.

President
Helen



Fort Vancouver Lions
Club Officers

- King Lion: Helen Sutfin
- 1st VP: Bill Shalaby
- 2nd VP: Adam Hegewald
- 3rd VP: Len Leger
- Past President: Bruce Armstrong
- Secretary: Chriss Denny
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Lee Denny, John Caldwell, Terry
Robertson, Vikki Hart, Sandy Foster,
- Program Directors: Roy Pulliam,
Dotty Scott, Hallie Kofstad, Vikki
Hart
- Sunshine Committee:
Wanda Slevin
- Technology Guru: Dotty Scott
- Visitations: Terry Sutfin
- Social Chair: Lee Denny

Crab Trip Winner

Adam and Roy after his crab trip he won at the Melvin Jones auction. We got 48 keepers.



50/50 Drawing Winner

Ron Nielsen

Won over \$900.00



Hearing Committee Report

We are missing representatives from Woodland, Presidents please make sure your clubs members join us at our next meeting on the 1st Tuesday of every month. This is your committee we cover **ALL** of Clark County and the Woodland area. By Richard Giles

Walk and Knock Bag Folding

Again this year the Fort Vancouver Lions participated in the Walk and Knock Bag Folding on November 19 and November 26. During these two days 140,000+ plus bags were folded - to be inserted in the Columbian. Hopefully we will have a good response from the community and many will fill them with groceries to be picked up on December 3. Our Club provided the coffee, pop and water for the bag folders. Folding bags in the new Food Hunger Warehouse was more enjoyable than prior years in the old warehouse.

Thanksgiving Dinner at Washington School

Several Ft. Vancouver Lions volunteered to help serve Thanksgiving Dinner at Washington Elementary School. The kitchen staff prepares an outstanding lunch for all of the students, staff and any parents who wish to join them. They simply don't have enough people available to serve this lunch in a timely manner. Each year we offer our assistance. This year the following people helped: Bill and Bernadette Shalaby, Bruce Armstrong, Bruce and Nancy Preece, Helen and Terry Sutfin, Lee and Chriss Denny, Ken and DeLores Milligan, Del and Colleen Lanphier, Jerry Jacobus and Hallie Kofstad. It was great to have double the number of volunteers that we usually have. Thanks to everyone. Chriss Denny (Coordinator)



Sight Committee

The Lions Sight Foundation of Clark County met on Tuesday, November 1, 2011. Participating were 10 Lions from 4 clubs. We received 49 applications for exams and glasses this month. 13 applications were denied: 9 needed more information; 2 non-residents; and 2 had insurance. A total of 36 applications were reviewed and approved for exams and glasses. We welcomed Walmart Vision Center, located on S.E. 192nd Avenue, as our newest eye care provider. The Foundation will be hosting their annual auction in April of 2012 (Date undetermined at this time). We are seeking donations and auction items. Our next meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at the Washington State School for the Blind.

FT. VANCOUVER LIONS BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOVEMBER MEETING

The Board meets the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month at 10:30 – Bill's Chicken Inn. The meetings are open to all FVL members. Following is a condensed version of the meeting. Complete copies of the minutes may be obtained by contacting Secretary Chriss Denny lcdenny8@msn.com

November 4

Received Thank You notes or our contributions to Camp Leo, Fort Vancouver Seafarers Center and the SW Washington Child Care Consortium (summer camp scholarships).

Past President Bruce Armstrong presented the results of the committee that was appointed to review our investments. It was decided and voted that our investments would remain as are and disbursement will occur on a request as needed basis.

VP Len Leger is continuing to search for tree planting opportunities. Treas. Steve Staudinger is Walk and Knock Captain for the Truman Elementary area. He will be asking for help at the next few meetings. Lion Lee is organizing the distribution of food barrels and will be seeking additional help.

It was determined that we would donate \$300 to LERC - \$100 to the new building fund and \$200 for regular operations.

It was decided that on Nov. 11 - Veterans Day - the club would pay for members who are veterans.

Lion Dotty has expressed an interest in starting a LEO club. The club voted to give her full support in this project.

VP Bill reported that \$1900 was earned with the apple and pear project. The Charity of the Month for November will be Oxford House Women's Shelter, to purchase a new refrigerator.

Santa will be properly dressed in brand new attire.

Lion Roy reported that the New Phoenix Casino has stuffed animals for our Santa Store.

There will be an Executive Meeting following the serving of Thanksgiving lunch at Washington Elementary School.

Our annual holiday luncheon will be held Friday, December 16 at the Clark County Skills Center. Cost - \$13.

New Member Contact Info to add to your rosters

Jeni Pulliam 2103 NW 139th St. Vancouver WA 98685 Jenilynn1117@yahoo.com

Cody Steinmann 1500 S. 21st Pl Ridgefield WA 98642 loansbycody@gmail.com

Craig Swoverland 1104 SE 181st Ave. Vancouver WA 98683 westcoastelectric@comcast.net

Jessica Sydnor 17005 NE 31st Way Vancouver WA 98682 jessica.sydnor@email.wsu.edu

Nancy Preece 607 Palo Alto Dr. Vancouver WA 98661 (no e-address)

Be sure to check out our Website

www.FortVancouverLions.org

I have added video of all the Special Performances from our talented club members at the Benefit Concert. They are posted on our Blog.

Moving forward there will be new information posted on our Blog. Check frequently for updates.

Help Wanted

LUNCH & READING & MENTORING BUDDIES – WA ELEMENTARY

- Meet with a child one day week for one hour (time set to your schedule)
- Must fill out Volunteer Application form (school office)
- There are a wide variety of opportunities for service at the school
- Contact Principal Sean McMillian: Sean.Mcmillan@vansd.org

SCRAPBOOK EDITOR – on going

- Compile the club's year of events into a scrapbook
- The finished product will be entered into the MD19 Scrapbook Contest
- Guidelines for the contest will be provided

PHOTOGRAPHER – on going

- Take pictures of the various club activities
- Distribute pictures to the Scrapbook Chairperson and to the area newspapers

Lion Ralph will be selling Tickets to the Christmas Concert For Vets

CLARK COUNTY VETERANS COURT BOARD'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOR VETS

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FOR FOOD BANKS



YOU CAN HELP BY VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME!

Help fold the 148,000 paper bags that get distributed and put into homes the week preceding the food drive

Bag folding dates are Saturday, November 19th and Saturday, November 26th at the Stop Hunger Warehouse (7509 NE 47th Ave just behind the gas complex off of 78th and St. Johns). 8am to mid-afternoon both days. This is a great event for families, and Middle/High School Youth Groups.

Be a Driver or food Pickup Volunteer on Saturday December 3rd

Volunteers will go door to door to collect food donations and return that food to a central location. Volunteers go to their designated start time by 8:30am and begin collecting food at 9am. Finish time varies – volunteers are asked to be prepared to work until at least 2:30pm the day of the food drive.

Donate a bag of food on Saturday, December 3rd

Place a bag of non-perishable food or personal hygiene items on your doorstep by 9am on the 3rd, or deliver it to one of the Clark County Les Schwab dealerships during their normal business hours. Any bag will do.

For More Information, go on-line to www.walkandknock.org or call 877-995-Walk

**100% of all food and monetary donations stay right here in Clark County!
Interservice Walk and Knock of Clark County
PO Box 353, Vancouver, WA, 98666**



Santa Store

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving but no time to rest now the Santa Store is right around the corner. Yes in just two weeks we will be making all those wonderful little faces smile, so excited about shopping for their families. I know a lot of you have signed up for both the set-up and the actual big event but we could always use more. So if you would like to join in the fun please give Sandy a call at [360-944-2094](tel:360-944-2094)

Please remember the set-up is at Washington Elementary School on Wednesday December 14th at 3:pm and the actual store is at the school on Thursday December 15th from 8am until around 3pm. Please wear festive attire the day of the store!!

I want to send out a big Thank You to the New Phoenix Casino for the great stuffed animals they donated. Their management team really hit a royal flush when they were able to donate over 150 stuffed animals. Also thank you Roy for making it all happen.




The New Phoenix Casino is a regular donator to our benefit concerts. When Cindy Gaylor from the New Phoenix visited our web site she took notice of our annual Christmas Store at Washington Elementary school. She contacted me and asked how the management team at the casino could help with the Christmas Store. I told her what we do there and the picture above shows the results of their collection of gifts. What a great donation.



We Serve

December 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Happy Birthday Lisa Hodge	2 10:30AM Happy Birthday Ralph Harding Lions Meeting 12 PM	3 Walk N Knock
4 Happy Birthday Sandy Hammond	5	6 Sight Committee WSSB 6:30PM Hearing Committee WSD 7:00PM	7	8	9 Lions Meeting 12PM	10
11	12 Happy Birthday Linda Sullivan	13 Lions Council	14 Santa Store Set Up	15 Santa Store 	16 Xmas Meeting 12PM @ Skill Center	17 Happy Birthday Lori Pulliam
18 Happy Birthday Jerry Jacobus	19	20	21 Share House	22	23 NO MEETING	24 Happy Birthday Charissa Steinmann
25  Happy Birthday Kathy Howell	26	27	28	29	30 Happy Birthday Danny Worle NO MEETING	31
January DATES TO REMEMBER...					 FVL Original Pin	Dates in RED mark our regular scheduled meeting

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