President’s Corner

Fellow Lions

As I prepare this last newsletter to you, I am filled with gratitude for each and every Ft. Vancouver Lion. The list of those who have impacted my year as President would take up the entire first page. As Lion Sandy Foster said at a recent meeting, “this club will not let you fail”. How true!

It takes a couple of months for a new President to learn the ins and outs of leading a board meeting and the patience and guidance I received was wonderful. Our VP’s, Bill Shalaby, Adam Hegewald and Len Leger, were there overseeing the many projects and activities that make our club vibrant. Secretary Chriss Denny and Treasurer Steve Staudinger answered my many questions and requests with smiles and encouragement. Our club has grown in leaps and bounds thanks to the tireless effort of Membership Chair, Roy Pulliam.

However, it is the members who make a club strong and we are blessed with so many who step-up and take on the responsibilities, fill the sign-up sheets and show up to do the work. Thank you so much. This year has seen some changes. By the end of June, we will have hosted 4 evening meetings. Our focus was membership growth and recognition and two social events. We also tried an evening meeting with the hopes of meeting the needs of those members who are unable to attend at noon. Engaging new members is always a challenge, the evening events as well as an increase in service projects is one way for us to make these new Lions feel welcome.

We have helped plant several hundred trees with Friends of Trees and the City Parks and Recreation, thus answering the call of International President Tam. On a Saturday in Oct. several members met to review where we are and how we might improve. Goals were set and we have met most of them. We will celebrate our success at the end of the year picnic.

We continued to support Washington Elementary School, SHARE and WSSB. Our fruit sales and concerts allow us to help many charities as well as support our International Foundation. We work hard and give generously. We are a club that gives of its’ time, talent and leadership qualities and these were recognized as such at our recent district conference.

All in all, it has been a fun year. I thank you again for the honor of serving you. To say that I am proud to be a Ft. Vancouver Lion would be an understatement.

Thanks for the memories – Yours in Lionism - President Helen
Newsletter Editor Wanted

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- Free Lunch at the weekly meetings
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- Everyone loves you!

Questions? Contact me at dotty@premiumwebsites.net

WSSB Track Meet

This year’s track meet at the Washington State School for the Blind was a huge success. We were blessed with wonderful weather, had plenty of volunteers, and most importantly everyone had lots of fun. Over 120 student athletes from all over Washington and Oregon ran, jumped and threw all day long. No matter what their disability, they competed with smiles on their faces as everyone cheered them on. Events included sprints and long distance runs, standing and running long jump, the shot put and modified throw, and the high jump. The two day event for the kids also included a career fair and concert.

We served over 250 athletes and their families, all of the volunteers, and the staff, Johnsonville Brats for lunch. Johnsonville donated a portion of the brats. Frito Lay donated chips. Tracy Hein of Sacred Grounds Coffee donated all of the hot dog buns. IGA donated the condiments. Heather Knight of Vancouver Oil Company made potato salad for everyone.

27 Lions and 11 friends volunteered to work this annual community service event. We worked just under 180 hours and we came in under budget with a total of $366.98 in expenses. We received many compliments and thank you’s for hosting the track meet. It is such a pleasure to chair this event with all of the support from our members and the community. Thank you for all of your help in making this one of the best track meets at WSSB ever.

Roy Pulliam,
Track Meet Chairman
THANK YOU!

I just wanted to let you know how much fun my three youngest girls and I had at the track meet on Thursday. This was our first time and it will be followed by many enjoyable years to come. My daughter, Adelyn can't stop talking about how she ran fast and wants to do it again!

Adelyn's sisters were supposed to be cheering her on. Ahem. Looks like they are more excited about making faces at me! Thanks for all you do - you really do make a positive impact on the children's and their family's lives!
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

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HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Lion Youth Exchange is looking for host families this summer. The dates are in July and August. Dates vary based upon the child you host. Each host family will take a child for 2 weeks and our club would help defray the cost. Contact Kathy Schumer at kshoom@comcast.net with any questions.

Dozer Days

This year we helped Dozer Days by stickering the hats given to all the kids. Participating were Bill Shalaby, Craig Lyons, Nancy Brown, Ken & Delores Milligan, Carol Bisbee, Adam Hegewald. Total of 26 hours.

Friday Nancy and Dotty helped the kids find buried Treasure in the sand!

It's Strawberry Time for the 24th time!!

Yes, fellow Lions, this is our 24th year of fresh strawberry sales by the Fort Vancouver Lions Club. The big day will be Saturday, June 23, from 10:00 to 11:00 at our six pick-up locations. See the order form elsewhere in this newsletter. Prices are: 14 pound tub $28.00; the 28 pound container will be $49.00. This year, through the efforts of Len Leger applying for a grant at the Columbian Newspaper, we will be having order forms in the Columbian the first week in June.

If you would like to help on pick-up day, the sign-up list will be available at the Friday meetings. Contact Len Leger or Lee Denny for more information.

1. President, Helen Sutfin, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

2. Minutes of the April 20, 2012 Board Meeting were approved as distributed.

3. Treasurers’ Report: Len moved, Adam seconded, to match the Pin Trader monies that Stephen raised at the Spring Conference to be donated to the LIPTC Scholarship Foundation. The motion passed unanimously. Roy moved to send $50 to LERC as they had donated pins to be sold at the conference. The motion was seconded by Terry Sutfin and passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: The newsletter from the Friends of the Carpenter was circulated.

Business – For Discussion:

Reminder of Thursday Meeting May 24: Helen reminded the Board that we will be having an evening meeting next week at Bill’s Chicken and Steak House at 7:00 pm and the cost for the meal will be $15.00.

Installation of Officers Picnic and Member Recognition: This picnic will be held Thursday, June 28, at Hazel Dell Park, 2300 NE 68 St.. A planning committee was formed to help on this picnic: Roy – food; Adam – condiments; Stephen – paper products.

Leo Club: Dotty Scott has asked for $500 start up money to establish a virtual Leo Club in our area. The FVLC will be the sponsoring Club. All Lions Clubs in our area will be asked to be supporters. There will be an “Introductory Picnic” on August 17th for all Lions Clubs in Zone 2G. This $500 should be considered by the Budget Committee for 2012-2013. Dotty has several service projects in mind for the Leo Club.

Membership: In June there will be a new Members induction by PDG Doug Hall.

1st VP Bill Shalaby – Club Administration

Conference Results: Helen gave a brief report on the MD 19G Conference.

Installation of New Officers: New officers for the 2012-2013 year will be held June 28 at the Hazel Dell Park. Installation of officers by PDG Doug Hall.

Budget Committee: The Budget Committee consists of Stephen, Bill, Adam, Len, Sandy Hammond and Helen. The budget will be approved in July or August.

Scholarship Committee: The next student selected for scholarship is Kelsey Block from Skyview H.S. Ralph mentioned that she has a 3.9 GPA, works part time, plays in the band and does community service work. Len moved to increase the scholarship amount to $1200 per quarter, per student. Stephen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Sale of donated SUV: Ralph announced he sold the van for $800.

Financial Review: A procedure is being developed for the Annual Financial Review.

2nd VP Adam Hegewald - Fundraising

White Cane Days: Carol reported that $908.72 was raised this year with 9 locations and 14 shifts. Len moved and the motion was seconded to round up to $1500 to be donated to the NW Lions Foundation for Sight and Hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

Strawberry Sales: It was determined by the committee that flyers will be inserted in the Columbian Newspaper to advertise the Strawberry Sales this year. The sale will take place on June 23. PIP printing is once again taking care of our printing needs.

3rd VP Len Leger – Service Projects

WSSB Track Meet: The track meet went really well and mentioned that Columbian ran a good article about it.

Washington Elementary School Playday: Adam will be meeting with the principal, SeanMcMillan to finalize plans for this project.

CMAC Post to Park BBQ: Helen reported that FVL is partnering with Vancouver Lions and will be cooking and serving hamburgers for this event on Memorial Day, May 28.

Dozers Days: Dozer Days was held May 11 – 13. It was a very successful event with several FVL Lions volunteering.

Helen mentioned a request from the Battle Ground Lions to march in their Harvest Days Parade on July 21.

Ralph mentioned we need to add a position to our Officers List of Auction Chairman. This should be a permanent position.

The next Board Meeting will be June 1, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chriss Denny, Secretary
Hi Adam!

Me, Aimee, Ervina, and Olivia would like to say, "Thank you so very much" to you and the Lions Club members that helped us sticker over 7,500 kids' hardhats! Please pass along our heart-felt gratitude to your group and warn them that when they do such a good job, they're likely to get asked back to help with Dozer Day 2013.

Thanks to you, there will be thousands of children with a big smile on their face as we hand them their very own hard hat and send them into Dozer Day to ride the big rigs. You ROCK!

Sincerely,

Renee Nutter

Larry and Shelly Brown, Roy and Lori Pulliam, Rick and Ann Giles, Jessica Sydnor and Jeff Morris at the Greek Diner won at the Melvin Jones auction. Dinner was hosted by Bruce and Angie Armstrong.
Annual Members Appreciation
New Officer Installation
New member Induction
THURSDAY ~ JUNE 28
5:30 PM ~ ?

FAMILY PICNIC & BAR B-Q
Hazel Dell Park
2300 NE 68th St
(between Hwy 99 and St. Johns Blvd)

Club will provide:
Meat and Drinks
Condiments
Paper goods
Awards and entertainment

Members Bring:
Salad or dessert - Chips, etc.
Lawn chairs and games
Family and friends

Games and socializing will begin at 5:30 pm
Dinner will be served at 6:00
Awards, Inductions and Installations to follow

Reservations not needed but to help with meal
planning contact Helen at 360-696-9162 or email
is Helens@wa-net.com
Several Ft. Vancouver Lions enjoyed attending the District G Spring Conference on May 11-13. This is always a time to meet new Lion friends, renew friendships and learn what is happening in the world of Lionism at our district level. As usual, our club participated in many of the Contests and Awards. Friday evening was the ‘Bake Off’ where our own Chriss and Lee Denny tantalized us with their DELICIOUS lemon custard pie. Roy Pulliam’s band of merry L-I-O-N-S led the audience in the song that is making them famous. They took 1st place (Yeah!). Then new Lions Bruce and Nancy Preece stopped by on their way home from a Panama Canal Cruise so Bruce could tell us a Tall Tale. Way to go – 2nd place!!!! The district really noticed Ft. Vancouver Lions, as we walked away with 1st place for Website and 2nd place for Newsletter. Thanks Dotty! To cap the competition – Lion Roy presented a 5 minute talk on the concerts that we sponsor to help the WA State School for the Blind Foundation and our many charities and walked away with 1st place!

At the banquet on Saturday evening, our own Roy Pulliam was presented the International Presidents Appreciation Award. This is the 4th highest award in Lionism. We can be very proud of Roy – he is a Lion through and through. Be sure to congratulate him. The Spring Conference is always a good way to understand why we are Lions. Next year it will be held in Ocean Shores. The club reimburses for registration and the Saturday luncheon, making it easier for members to attend. The Annual Fall Convention will be held in October in Nanaimo, B.C. Lion Roy will be presenting his 5 minute speech. Wouldn’t it be great if we had a group of Ft. Vancouver Lions to support him?
The Fort Vancouver Lions club teamed up with the Vancouver Lions club to provide a free hot dog lunch at the Fort Vancouver Memorial Day Celebration. The Army Barracks were officially handed over to the Fort Vancouver National Park. Many ex commanders of the barracks were on hand with political dignitaries. There were bag pipes and the Army band on hand to perform.

We all arrived to set up at 9 AM and were able to socialize and watch the festivities until around 11:30. We then served 1000 hot dogs. On hand from our club to work the lunch were: Roy Pulliam, Bob Weller, Nancy Brown, Ken Serviss, Bill Shalaby and Del Lanphier. Several members of the Vancouver club, boy scouts, and Kiwanis members also helped serve the lunch.

I have really enjoyed the past 3 years of being your Newsletter Editor. It is time to pass the Newsletter on to another Lion. This will be my final Newsletter. I will help anyone who would like to take over this project. Please contact Dotty for the Publisher Template and any other help you might need.
It’s Strawberry Time!
24th Annual Fort Vancouver Lions Foundation Strawberry Sale

Fresh Strawberry Sale!
CLEANED
FRESH
SLICED!
14 lb container only $28
28 lb container only $49

NO SUGAR
ADDED!
Order NOW!!! Use the Order Form Below!

Order by June 20th 2012

Pick up your locally grown fresh strawberries Saturday June 23rd, 10AM - 11 AM
Please Be Prompt for pick-up
All Orders Pre-Paid

For More Info Call Len at 360-883-2843
Watch for Frozen Berries in August!
See our website www.ftvancouverlions.org

2012 Fresh Strawberry Sale Order Form
Please PRINT your information below.

Name_________________________________________Date________________________

Address_________________________________________City____________State_______Zip________

Home Phone_________________________Cell Phone________________________

14lb. @ $28 X _____ = $__________ 28lb. @ $49 X _____ = $__________ TOTAL: $________

Quantity
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Please indicate below which pick up location you prefer:

☐ 1 Battle Ground - 1st Independent Bank, 601 W Main St (Next to Fire Sta.)
☐ 2 Salmon Creek - Kaiser 14406 NE 20th Ave
☐ 3 Hazel Dell - 1st Independent Bank, 8615 NE HWY 99
☐ 4 Vancouver Mall - Red Lobster, 8219 NE Vancouver Mall Dr
☐ 5 Fishers Landing - United Methodist Church, 15804 SE Mill Plain Blvd.
☐ 6 Camas - Bank of America Parking Lot on 3rd

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PREPAID
Use PAYPAL to pay for your fresh strawberries! Available now!
Log on to www.ftvancouverlions.org & follow the link for Fresh Strawberries.
Click the PayPal button to process and pay for your order.
(You do not need a PayPal Account)

Checks should be made payable to Fort Vancouver Lions Foundation
Mail Check & Order Form To: Fort Vancouver Lions · 1816 SE 161st Place · Vancouver, WA 98683
A confirmation of your order and pick-up location will be mailed to you.

Berries not picked up at the time and place listed above will be donated to a local charity unless prior arrangements have been made.
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- July 19th LEO Meeting
- Evening Meetings: July 26th

Dates in RED mark our regular scheduled meeting
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