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June is HUGE for Fundraisers!

Strawberries and Concerts!

June is by far one of the busiest months for the Fort Vancouver Lions Club! Between fundraisers and service projects our members are on the go... go.... go!



project from advertising to pick-ups and deliveries! It's not about the money... (continued on page 5)



Washington Elementary Play Day, Share House cooking, Strawberry sales and deliveries and Concerts at the Amphitheater! Wow! Sales of strawberries were up this year by approximately 50%

(nearly \$5000 total net) The additional sales came as a result of increased publicity in three local newspapers, on the internet and by word of mouth! Three cheers for everyone who helped with this



Scholarship Award!

This Year Fort Vancouver Lions Awarded Skyview Graduate Mallory Kamerath (photo not available)

A Two Year Scholarship
Congratulations Mallory!
 The scholarship provides \$1950 per year. Mallory has chosen Dental Hygiene at Clark College



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JULY

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Program Director - **Chriss Denny**

- July 4th—No Meeting!
- July 11th - Gala Mill, Executive Director of the Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center.
- July 18th - Marjorie Post, a volunteer teacher at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility (the Women's Prison in Oregon) speaks about her work; Contributing to the rehabilitation of the women incarcerated there.
- July 25th—Chinese Auction, Club Business

Ever wonder where the glasses donation boxes are?

Contributed by Fred Larson

Safeway Stores at: (in the Pharmacy desk area)

JM Plaza, NE 81st & Hazel Dell Ave.;

Main Street, NE 37th St. & Main St.;

Orchards: NE 76th St. & NE 117th Ave.;

Mill Plain Stores:

Andreson & Mill Plain
 137th Ave. & Mill Plain

4th Plain: NE 162nd Ave. & 4th Plain.

Other boxes are placed at:

Lasiks Eye Clinic, 1325 SE Tech Center Drive;

Mountain View Eye Care, 14415 SE Mill Plain;

SW Wash. Medical Center, North of Mill Plain at 92nd Ave. in Lobby;

Vancouver Vision Clinic, NE 10th St. & Main St.;

Dickerson's Office, 10607 NE Hwy 99, Suite C.



President's Corner



King Lion Al Rhyasen

Summer is officially here, our fresh strawberries have been delivered, we've got a few amphitheater concerts under our belt, and we're recovering from "play day" at Washington Elementary!

July 1st marks "Day One" for me, as you're president, and I couldn't be more excited!

Secretary Diana Olds prepared a summary of this past years accomplishments. TOTAL Service Hours by the Fort Vancouver Lion's Club for the 11 months ending May 30th ...5,567 hours!

Those service hours given for this community: (monthly dinner at the Share House, transportation of Cornea's for the Oregon Eye Bank, working at the mobile screening unit, Walk-N-Knock, Salvation Army Bell Ringing, at least 6 service events I can think of at the Washington Elementary School capped off by our Santa Store) The list goes on and on yet each hour was donated by "YOU" a member of this club brought much more joy and satisfaction to you as a member than service to our community.

That's the secret of service and those business men in Chicago led by Melvin Jones

over 90 years ago recognized this and had the vision of the good that Lion's worldwide could do for all our communities.

And then there is "Helen Keller" My goodness what a powerful address she gave to us all at the 1925 convention which she challenged us to become "Knights for the Blind."

I would like to thank this past year's Board for their dedication to making our club what it is today, specifically Past President Steve Staudinger for his quiet, effective leadership that has brought about such a strong foundation for us to move forward on! (See next page for 2008-2009 Board)

The final budget that will be approved this next board meeting, shows a substantial in-

crease in almost all areas of donations and is projected to leave us with over \$5,000 surplus in our administrative fund. That would never have happened without the efforts of all of you and for that, I am grateful.

Each New Year is known for resolutions made to better ourselves in some way.

Well, with our New Year being July 1st you have 2 chances this year. When I joined over 5 years ago, it was because of the example of a neighbor that mentioned to me of all the activities that he was involved in at his local



HELEN KELLER

http://www.seymourlionsclub.org/Helen_Keller.htm

Lion's club. Not all at once- a little here – a little there - until he thought I was ready. Then he invited me to a luncheon. I could see that you looked like a fun group to be around, but I had no idea! What really impressed me however was at the beginning of the meeting there was a Flag Salute, singing of "America" and an Invocation. With that as your meeting foundation, I knew that this was

the place I wanted to be! From that beginning and the mentoring from so many of you I have enjoyed gaining a deeper understanding of the good that we can do not only for our community and yes world wide but for that individual "lunch buddy" who just wants to eat lunch with a friend!

Would you take a moment this New Year to reflect on your past service to the club and rededicate yourselves to this great work of Lionism?



Each New Year is known

Presidents Corner

Continued on Page 5



Fort Vancouver Lions Club



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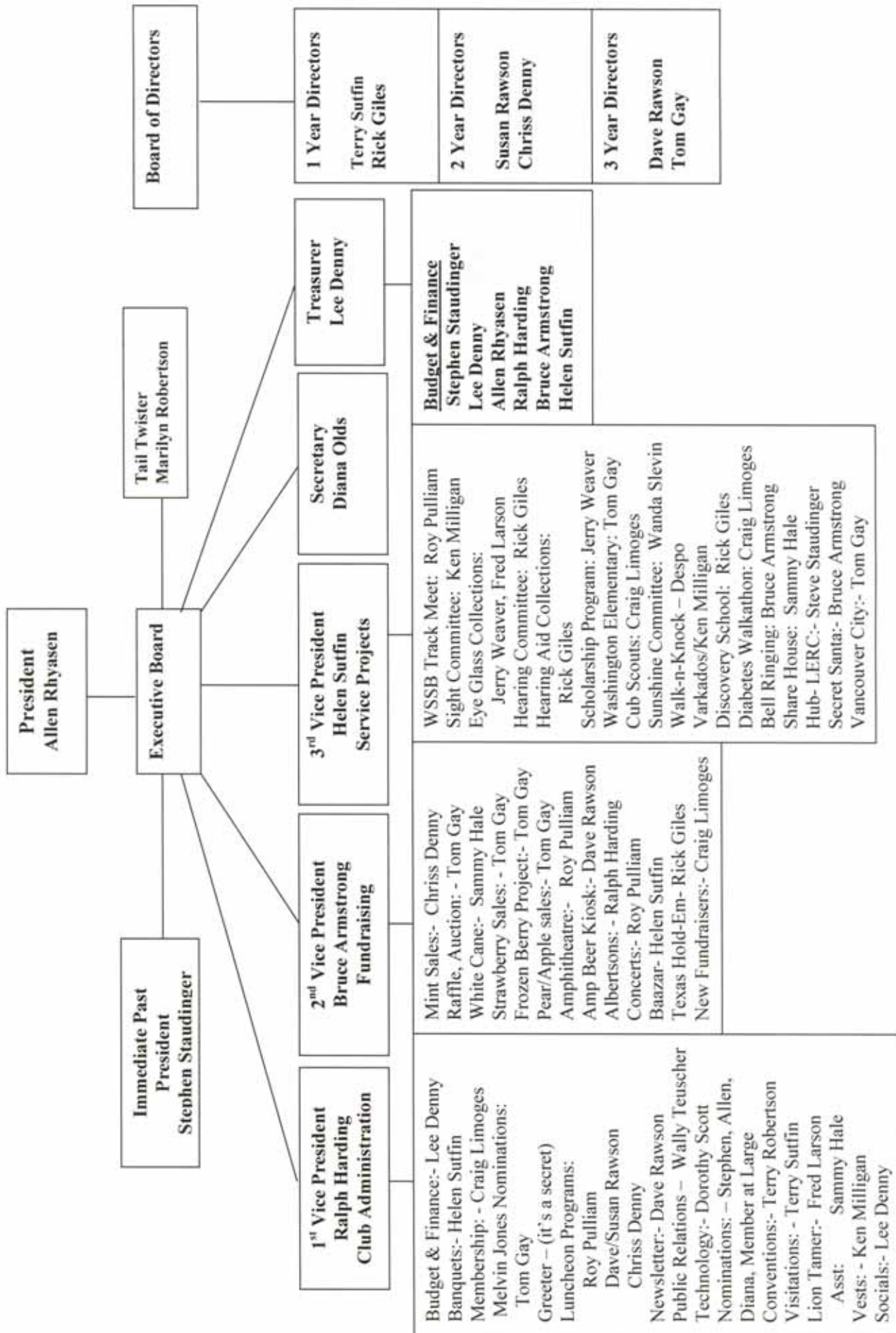
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Lee Denny



2008 - 2009 Club Officers

last updated: 7/1/08

FORT VANCOUVER LIONS 2008-2009



Presidents Corner Continued...

Like my neighbor, think of a friend or business associate that you know who could grow personally by belonging to the greatest service club in Vancouver. Invite him or her for a free lunch and let them see for themselves.

Now let's get busy this month with signing up for 3 concerts July 11, 18, and 24th (Contact Roy Pulliam or Dave Rawson) and serving dinner at the Share House on July 16th (Contact Sammy Hale)

Next month we have the second installment on the fruit sales with frozen berries being delivered Saturday August 9th. (I know Tom Gay has those pink flyers that he'd like us to pass out)

Thank you again for allowing me to be your President for this upcoming year and let's go out and have some fun doing good in this, our home community!

CLARK COUNTY SIGHT COMMITTEE

Report by Lion Ken Milligan

We met on June 5th with 9 lions from 8 clubs attending. We reviewed 36 applications for exams & glasses approving 28 of them.

A total of 14 were denied:

- 2 as DSHS eligible
- 2 as non-resident of Clark County
- 2 as non-US citizen
- 1 as having sufficient income
- 7 returned for more information.

Our next meeting will be


**Tuesday July 8th - 6:30 pm at
WSSB Administration Building**



With a new year starting, let's not forget an old faithful, our clubs' own...

Pianist

John Caldwell



Fort Vancouver Lions Club
July 2007 to May 2008
Total Service Hours: 5567

A. Club Activities

1. Served Monthly Dinner at Share House
2. Transported Cornea's for Oregon Eye Bank
3. Served Breakfast at City of Vancouver Picnic
4. Held Learning Fair and Play Day at Washington Elementary School
5. Worked Mobile Health Screening Unit
6. Held Poker Tournament for Play it By Ear
7. Volunteered at American Diabetes Walkathon
8. Sold Fruit and Worked Concerts at the Amphitheater for Sight First II
9. Participated in Walk-N-Knock
10. Sponsored Holiday Bazaar for Sight First II
11. Partnered with Habitat for Humanity for Holiday Gift Giving
12. Participated in Salvation Army Bell Ringing
13. Provided Santa Store at Washington Elementary School
14. Participated in Read Across America at Washington Elementary School
15. Manned Booth at Senior Expo
16. Participated in White Cane Days
17. Sponsored Track Meet at WSSB and Held Concerts for Sight First II
18. Delivered 4800 Pairs of Eyeglasses to LERC

B. Donations

1. \$1500.00 White Cane
2. \$1000.00 LCIF
3. \$500.00 Golden Ear
4. \$350.00 Oral Hull Foundation
5. \$100.00 Newsline
6. \$200.00 Walk N Knock
7. \$2552.00 Clark County Hearing (including memorial contributions)
8. \$2210.00 Clark County Sight (including memorial contributions)
9. \$508.00 Washington Elementary School Art Project
10. \$345.00 Washington Elementary School OMSI Assembly
11. \$100.00 NWLSHF
12. \$100.00 Peace Poster Contest Awards
13. \$350.00 Boy Scouts
14. \$2000.00 WSSB Foundation
15. \$100.00 School of Piano Technology
16. \$100.00 Vaughn Brown-Former student of WSSB
17. \$200.00 WSSB Betterment Fund
18. \$20,000.00 Sight First II-(From Sales of Fruit, Concerts, Bazaar, etc.)

(fundraisers... continued from front page)

It's not about the money... it's about the friendship and fellowship we share during the projects and most importantly, it's about the service projects which we, in turn, give to our Clark County communities!

Without our fundraising, our Sight First II goal would have never been realized, local scholarships could not be given, projects at Washington Elementary would not exist, WSSB track meets would not be run—not to mention donations to sight and hearing, leader dogs, boys scouts and diabetes camps!

Our other BIG fundraiser this month has been concerts at the amphitheater! This year we have two projects going on there... wrist banding and a beer kiosk!

Fran Kendrick

Reports from Roy Pulliam indicate wrist banding brought in a total income from the first months' concerts as \$3360! And the beer kiosk, as reported by Dave and Susie Rawson, worked 3 concerts in June and netted \$1120!

There is always more to do.... July will bring more concerts!

July 11th - The Police. This may be a sell out and we need lots and lots of help!

July 18th- Toby Keith. This concert should also draw a pretty big crowd. This county loves their country music!

July 24th - James Taylor. Everyone love this musician. Come out and help us and watch one of the all time greats.

Thank you all to the great service, time and effort that you have given!



EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY 2008

Lions International Website www.lionsclubs.org
 MD-19 Website www.lionsmd19.com
 Dorothy Scott www.geturfreeraffleticket.net

EARN YOUR FREE RAFFLE TICKET. LOCATE YOUR NAME (THERE ARE 2 HIDDEN NAMES IN THIS NEWSLETTER) AND NOTIFY EITHER THE LION TAMER OR THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>August dates to mark on your calendar:</u> 1st-10th-County Fair 9th—Frozen Berry Deliveries 13th—Share House 13th—City Employee Picnic</p>		<p>1 Canada Day</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 <div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> 4th of July NO MEETING </div> </p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6 1785 - The <u>dollar</u> is unanimously chosen as the <u>monetary unit</u> for the <u>United States</u>.</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Sight Meeting 6:30PM WSSB Hearing Meeting 7:00PM WSSD </div></p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 FUN FACTS Washington has more glaciers than any of the other contiguous states combined</p>	<p>11 12PM WEEKLY MEETING The POLICE Concert</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 Bastille Day</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 Sharehouse !!! 2:30—6:30 PM Contact Sammy Hale</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 12PM WEEKLY MEETING Toby Keith Concert</p>	<p>19 FUN FACTS The oldest operating gas station is in Zillah Washington </p>
<p>20 1969 - Apollo Program: <u>Apollo 11</u> successfully lands the first man on the <u>Moon</u>.</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Actor Willem Defoe Born 1955</p>	<p>23 FUN FACTS Everett Washington is the home of the worlds largest building— Boeing's final assembly plant</p>	<p>24 James Taylor Concert</p>	<p>25 12PM WEEKLY MEETING</p>	<p>26 </p>
<p>27 FUN FACTS Washington produces more apples than any other state in the union</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 FUN FACTS Washington is birth place to both Jimi Hendrix and Bing Crosby</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>RED DATES INDICATE REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLUB MEETINGS</p>	

Pins of our past...Original Fort Vancouver Pin, 25 Yr Club Pin, 35 Yr Club Pin, Revamped Club Pin, 40 Yr Button & our 50 Yr Club Pin



Would you like to share your story of what brought you into the Lions? People want to know what brought others to such a great service organization. Drop the Editor an email or letter and I will be happy to share it with club.

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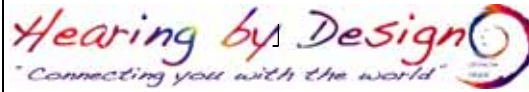
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June Minutes...

June 6th, 2008

- Request for monetary donation to help send student at WSSB to a sports festival in Colorado from July 22-28th. A Motion to donate \$100.00 was made. Motion carried.
- Denny reported our club raised \$957.33 for White Cane Days. A motion to send \$1500.00 to NW Lions Foundation for our donation was made. Motion carried.
- S. Rawson reported the sales at the beer kiosks are doing well.
- A motion to cancel both the board meeting and regular meeting on July 4th was made. Motion carried.
- Incoming Zone Chair Denny requested our club host the first Zone Meeting some time in August.
- A motion to drop the following

members for non-payment of dues was made. Motion carried:

- Associate Member Irene Flowers, Donna Rekstad, Kevin Morgan, Juanita Morgan
- A motion to donate \$150.00 to the Memorial Garden in the name of Bill Thomas was made. Motion carried.



June 20th, 2008

- Rhyasen announced 2 deaf students were in need of \$165.00 to attend the Fir Crest Summer Program. A motion was made to donate the \$165.00, and then with-

drawn. The board felt they needed more information before they could vote; Rhyasen will follow-up and report back.

- Staudinger reported he has agreed to be the District G Coordinator for LERC and our club will be the eyeglass hub. Olds volunteered to be the record keeper.
- A motion to change the signers on our accounts with Columbia Credit Union to the following: Remove Steve Staudinger as President, move Al Rhyasen to President, add Ralph Harding as 1st Vice President, retain Lee Denny as Treasurer, and retain Diana Olds as Secretary.
- Denny discussed the 2008-2009 final budget. The incoming board will vote when they take office in July 2008.
- Staudinger announced the next board meeting will be Friday, July 18th, 2008

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