

FORT VANCOUVER LIONS

UPROAR



Fort Vancouver Lions **March 2010**

JOIN US EACH FRIDAY AT NOON AT BILL'S CHICKEN AND STEAK!

"Music with Benefits" is a HUGE success.

By Lion and Benefit Concert Chair: Roy Pulliam

Our most recent benefit concert on February 5th was a huge success. We raised more money than any other benefit concert before. A whopping \$6493.00. It was a team effort. Member sold, tickets to the show (a sell out), ads for our program and raffle tickets the night of the event. We spent 230 Lion hours to put this all together. With expenses of \$203.59 for printing, \$300.00 for the sound man for the show, and \$500.00 donated to the WSSB Student Betterment fund, our club netted \$5489.41. \$1000.00 of the proceeds came from our Corporate Sponsor: US Digital.

Our secret singers were: Susie Rawson as Dorothy, Terry Robertson as the Lion, Craig Limoges as the Scarecrow, and Chris Losinger as the Tin Man. They

received a standing ovations after Susie sang Somewhere over the Rainbow. They all stepped out of their comfort zone and did a great job.

Ron Staggs put together the fantastic program for the concert. Steve Staudinger took tickets at the door, handled all the money, helped us present the awards to the band, and helped with the intermission video. Kathy Howell and PIP Printing did our flyer and programs at a discounted price. Rick Giles printed all the tickets with his company printer at his expense. Catrina Galicz was our concert photographer. Al Rhyasen and Susie Rawson had a contest with each other to sell the most tickets. Together they sold over 90 (half of the auditorium) tickets. Lori Pulliam got the school's goal ball team to sell concessions. Al and Ken sold ads for the program. Craig Limoges, Chris Losinger, Adam Hegewald and



Lions Susie Rawson, Terry Robertson, Craig Limoges and Chris Losinger

Cheri Perry bought ads. And many other members sold tickets.

Janet Merz at WSSB again handled the sale of tickets to the public. She does such a good job keeping us posted on ticket sales. She also has the auditorium, lights and parking set up for us. She has done this for our last 4 concerts and is such a pleasure to work with.

Most of all, we owe a huge

Upcoming March Activities

- **March 2– Clark County Sight Meeting 6:30 @ WSSB**
- **March 2– Clark County Hearing 7:00 @ School for the Deaf**
- **March 5– Board Meeting 10:30 am**
- **March 12 & 13– District 19G Spring Conference in Kelso**
- **March 16– Lions Council Meeting 7:00 @ WSSB**
- **March 17– Share House 2:30**
- **March 19– Board Meeting 10:30 am**

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thank you to the three bands. Two rivers Music opened the event. Their original songs had the place dancing in their seats. Misty Mamas and their folk and blue grass music were even better than last year. The main act was Three Together. They are so talented and draw a huge crowd.

The band was surprised and speechless when we presented them with the first ever non-member Melvin Jones award. Three Together: Doug Smith, Judy Koch-Smith, and Don Mitchell have helped out dozens of non profits with benefit concert over the past few years. They have helped so many and are very deserving of

this prestigious award.

As you can see this was again a big time team effort from a lot of folks that resulted in a wonderful night of entertainment and a large sum of money that will help a lot of those in need in our area.

Thank you everyone!

Sight Committee Report

Attend the next Sight Committee meeting March 2 at 6:30 pm in the WSSB Admin. Building

We met on February 2, 2010 with 15 Lions from 8 Clubs attending. We reviewed 29 applications for exams & glasses approving 16 of them.

A total of 13 were denied, 5 returned for more information, 1 as DSHS eligible, 3 as non-resident, one too soon (less than 2 years) & 3 for too many requests.

One application for Cata-

ract surgery referred to Free Clinic.

Our next meeting will be on March 2, 2010 at the WSSB Administration Building starting at 6:30 pm.

Lions Assist at Diabetes EXPO



Comfortable carpooling was all part of the fun at the American Diabetes Association EXPO

By Lion Craig Limoges

12 lions helped the American Diabetes Association guide over 5,000 attendees at the Diabetes EXPO on Saturday, February 20th. it was a great opportunity to serve those desiring more in-

formation about diabetes and the club was well



represented.

Club News!

By Lion Helen Sutfin

Thursday, Feb. 18, our club celebrated reading with first graders. Fourteen Lions and friends read to small groups of students and enjoyed cookies and milk. The event ended with each student selecting a book, of their choice, to take home as an addition to their personal library. Many thanks to: Jerry Jacobus and his granddaughter, Bill and Bernadette Shalaby, Marilyn Martin, Kama May, Allen Rhyasen, Chriss and Lee Denny, Susie Rawson, Bruce Armstrong, Craig Limoges, Terry and Helen Sutfin. Thanks to all who helped make this a success for students and volunteers.

Play Day at Washington is coming up real fast. Mark your calendars to leave this day open to help the students enjoy a great event. This really cumulates all of the things we do for the staff and students. This years' Play Day will be held Thursday, June 18th. Lions Lee and Helen will be looking for many helping hands.

White Cane Day will be held on Friday, May 7th. The regular meeting will be cancelled so that all members can help Lion Walt Miller with the many stations he has lined up to allow the general public to help with our efforts to support the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. This is the group that provides the Health Screening Unit for our local schools as well as

the help given to those in need of financial help with hearing and sight devices and surgeries. Lion Walt will be asking for your help - sign up and help make this a most successful event.

Many have already registered for the annual MD19-G conference to be held in Kelso, March 12 & 13. This is the time to meet Lions from all over SW Washington. Trade ideas, make new friends and be reconnected with folks from conferences past. Our own Vice District Governor Terry Sutfin will be looking for support in his bid to act as your District Governor next year. Lion Steve Staudinger will be also be asking for help as he acts as your Zone Chariman. Our club has entered most of the contests, Chowder Cooking (Thanks Chriss), Brouchure and Business Card (Thanks Ken and Kathy), Tall Tales (Thanks Helen), Musical Performance (Thanks John), 2 Musical Comedies (Thanks Marilyn, Terry, Craig, Susie and Chris Losinger), all club attendees will join in the uniform delegation as well. It will be a fun time. Plan to come Friday night - wear your best "beach wear" with decorated footwear; cheer our 'performers' and return on Saturday to march with pride. There will be many classes to inspire and a couple that will just be fun. Hope to see you there.

Many Opportunities are coming up to Serve! Please be sure to join us...And bring a friend!

To obtain a copy of the Hearing committee report, please visit our club website at

[Www.fortvancouverlions.org/hearing.pdf](http://www.fortvancouverlions.org/hearing.pdf)

Winterhawks Game

On Saturday, March 6th several of our Club members will be attending a Winterhawks Hockey Game. Not only will we enjoy some great hockey - we're going to be getting hats!

Trip To LERC (Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center)

On Saturday April 24th we will be going to Lacey, Washington to visit the LERC facilities. If you would like to be included, please contact Stephen Staudinger or Lee Denny. More information will be provided at a later date.

Tale Twister Talking

By T.T. Robertson

The members of the Ft. Vanc. Lions were met Feb. 5th, with a "pre-Valentine gift of kisses from T.T. Everyone puckered up and enjoyed the treats. Our Secret Valentine Greeter was sweet Charissa Steinmen.

If you missed our Fri, Concert at the Emil Fries Auditorium, our secret singers were a big hit! Lion Susie Rawson, was adorable Dorothy, pigtails, redshoes and all; the Scarecrow was Lion Craig Limoges; the TinMan was Lion Chris Losinger; the Lion was Lion Terry Robertson in a Lion suit; and Toto, Lily Pulliam. What a cast of dedicated Lions. Sweetheart Susie surprised us on Fri. the 12th, by performing at our Sweetheart Luncheon, singing her part of "Over the Rain-

bow." All the characters have promised Helen that they will repeat their performance at the District G Contest and Awards in Kelso.

Jerry Jacobus was our Secret Greeter on the 19th. Our members are getting pretty good at finding the 'one' and besides we all benefit because it causes us to be friendly to everyone. Keep it up! Our Lions and guests filled the T.T. cup with "happy bucks." Lion and former Canadian Al Rhyasen received two pair of red Olympic mittens from a long and difficult search on the internet. Lion Lee was the searcher and giver but we all felt like we were the receivers because it made us all so happy. Another hard earned Happy buck was given from Lion Catrina Galicz for completing her first CPA

exam. Hurray, Catrina! Pres. Ralph happily gave his buck to explain that he would be traveling to New Zealand and would miss the next two meetings. Lion Rick topped the happy chart as he shared his happiness that his Lion Ann could be at his side. She listened to her husband continue sharing and it was at that point that lovely Ann gave her handsome Rick a well-aimed swat. Sorry you missed it!

Lion Wally promised to have a poem for us next Fri. he has already paid so he has to!! We hope to see you then as V.P. Lion Bruce takes charge followed by V.P. Lion Helen the next week. Hurry back Pres. Lion Ralph!!

Look in next months issue for photos on the membership banquet and a new member spotlight!!!

It's your birthday shout hooray, we want to sing today, one year older and wiser too, Happy Birthday, to you!

- March 6– Irene Schultz
- March 8– Fred Larson
- March 11– John Caldwell
- March 12– Terry Sutfin
- March 15– Allen Kopp
- March 19– Bruce Armstrong
- March 21– Gary Matusch
- March 22– Rick Giles
- March 22– Jim McGlasson
- March 24– Ray Casey

Amphitheater is a Great “Fun”draiser for the Club!

By Lion Roy Pulliam

We will soon be back at the Clark County Amphitheater placing wrist bands on attendees and selling beer. We will need lots of help at each show, often over 60 workers. This is one of our clubs largest fund raiser and one of the most fun projects we do each year. Every concert has it's own personality. Just ask any of our members that have worked there for a story or two and you will see what your have missed.

To sell beer or examine identification you must possess a State of Washington Class 12 Mixologist Permit. A lot of us have taken the three hour class to receive this license. You will have the opportunity to attend the class in April. If you have a license that is over 4 years old you must retake the class. Check your expiration date. This allows you to be a more versatile volunteer and heck you can even apply to be a bartender with this license.

Please tell all of your friends and relatives about this project. If they like music they will love working the shows. We need about 100 volunteers so we can be sure to meet the requirement the amphitheater requests of us. If you have any questions please contact Roy Pulliam, the Amphitheater wrist banding project chairman.

March Speakers!

March 5th - Sandy Foster regarding her recent trip to Haiti

March 12th - Kim Hash, Director of Programs for the Ft. Vancouver Historical Reserve

March 19th - to be announced soon. Had a recent cancellation

March 26th - Adam Hegewald from Hydraulics Inc

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