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## February 2018 ISSUE

Join Us Weekly at Elks Club 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd Vancouver, WA 98683 **Check our meeting** schedule!

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## **FEBRUARY SPEAKERS** PROGRAM DIRECTOR ROY

#### February 2

Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Vancouver Mayor

## February 9

Katherine Demsky Bridges Between: Empowering Girls in Nepal

#### February 16

Jake Koch, Guide Dogs for the Blind

### February 23

Erik Horngren, Columbia Spring's Repair Café

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approached the Trustees at the Elks Club at 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd. to check on availability. They are very receptive to having us there for our Friday luncheon meetings. This was presented to the FVLC Board on Friday, January 19, and approved unanimously. We will have our first meeting at the Elks on February 2. Please see the detailed article later in this newsletter.

The Board also approved a donation to

the Zone Project to benefit the children attending Camp Good Times. This is a camp for children who suffer from hunger, illness, vision problems, etc. The money is used to prepare chickadee bird house kits for the children to assemble during craft time while at camp. The kit is a very sturdy, high quality bird house which follows very specific instructions to accommodate the chickadees. Zone Chair Edie Brannon and PDG Doug Hall worked together to provide these at a very low cost.

In addition the Board approved a donation to the Lambayeque Eyeglass Clinic as presented by Lion David Rich. This donation will be used to provide needed funds for the building and equipping of the clinic. For more information about this clinic, please see Lion David Rich's article in last month's newsletter.

Our own Helen Sutfin was elected as Zone Chair for the 2018-19 year at last Tuesday's Zone Meeting. She thanked all the delegates for their votes of confidence and stated she looks forward to serving in this capacity. Thank you, Helen, for your willingness to serve.

Please plan to attend The Learning Forum, which is being offered to all Lions

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Isn't it amazing how fast January has flown by? We have been a busy club. As we enjoyed wonderful program speakers, we realized it is important to support our area's summer camps for Children with Diabetes. Your Board has voted to sponsor a camper at Camp Leo and Gales Creek Camp. We are excited about partnering with them and participating in their work parties and special events. The first work day at Camp Leo will be June 2. You will hear more about this as our committee develops the plans.

We also heard an amazing speaker from The Children's Cancer Association last week. This group does so many wonderful things for the children with cancer, and their families. I will be proposing that we donate our \$100/month charity to this organization at the February Board Meeting. Gay Enyert has volunteered to be our contact person and coordinator for the Children's Cancer Association. Thank you, Gay!

The Board is excited to announce the approval of the application for membership from Lance Ebarb. Lori Pulliam is his sponsor. Lance and his wife, Marcie, attended our Christmas Dinner, so possibly you have met him. If not, be sure to extend a friendly greeting to him at our next meeting. Please update your roster with the following information: Lance Ebarb (wife Marcie); address 1545 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Washougal, WA 98671; e-mail ljebarb@sbcglobal.net.

We are pleased to have added seven new members to our club this year. With that in mind, the Board considered moving to a venue that would accommodate this growth. A small committee

# Fort Vancouver Lions Club Officers 2016-17

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(regardless of how long you have been in this fine organization.) It will be held at the Cascadia Technical Academy (formerly Clark County Skills Center) at 12200 NE 28<sup>th</sup> Street, on Saturday March 3, starting at 8:00 am. To register online to this website: <a href="https://www.LionsLearningForum.org">www.LionsLearningForum.org</a>. If you have sponsored one of our new members, please encourage them to attend and plan to be there with them. Several members of our club will be presenters. They are: Helen and Terry Sutfin, Stephen Staudinger, David Rich. The registration is limited to 150, so it is important to register early. I will have registration forms available at our noon meetings, also.

We have received good news.....Our District Governor, Lion Bill Karcher is now attending his Club Visitations. He doesn't drive yet, so several of our Zone officers have been assisting with the driving. We hope he will be available to induct three of our new members in the near future.

We will be forming a nomination committee in the very near future. It's already time to think about officers and directors for the 2108-19 year. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact me or one of our current Board members.

Try your very best to stay dry – I know it's a challenge during this rainy season here in the Pacific Northwest.

**President Lion, Chriss Denny** 



# **Dear Fort Vancouver Lions Club Foundation**,



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Thank you, Community Rewards Staff

# CHANGE OF VENUE FOR OUR FRIDAY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS STARTING FEBRUARY 2, 2018 WE WILL BE MEETING AT THE ELKS CLUB

Due to our increased membership over the past few months the Board has made the decision to change our meeting place.

Starting February 2, 2018 we will meet at the Elks Club at 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd. Our committee has met with the Trustees there and has determined that this facility meets all of our needs.

The food will be prepared by the students of the Culinary Institute, who are using the Elks facilities to learn all aspects of food service. We have met the chef who is very excited about this opportunity for her students. The Trustees at the Elks are very enthusiastic about our club meeting there and are willing to work with us to meet our various needs/requests. We will have locked storage space for our paraphernalia. The tables will be set up in two long rows, seating 20 in each row, with plenty of space for additional seating. We will be able to hang our banners, and display our standing flags and our international flag set. The parking is adequate.

The menu is as follows for \$12.00 per person payable with **cash or check** (no credit cards, but an ATM is available on site.)

#### MENU

Trio Salad Plate....... Turkey Salad, Shrimp Salad, Egg Salad or Fruit Salad

Grilled Burger & Fries or Fruit Turkey or Shrimp Salad Wrap

Soup of the day and ½ Sandwich .... Ham and cheese, Turkey, Shrimp or Egg Salad

If you have any questions, please contact Lions Chriss or Lee Denny – Chriss cell 360-771-2134 Lee cell 360-607-5221 or email: lcdenny8@msn.com

# SPRING CONFERENCE KELSO RED LION – MAY 18-19, 2018

CONTESTS AND AWARDS
WHO WILL TAKE HOME THE BRAGGING RIGHTS???

Does your club have an outstanding newsletter?
Did one of your members design a real 'cool' business card?
Do you think your club website is outstanding?
Did your club take part in a service project that made the club and you proud?
How about your club brochure, is it something you like to give to community members?

The time to share these with the rest of District G Lions occurs at our Spring Conference. We grow by sharing our talents. These and many other opportunities for showcasing your club talents are listed in the MD19 Roster at <a href="https://www.lionsmd19.com">www.lionsmd19.com</a> – click on contests and awards for details of each contest.

The Governors' conference in May is the time when Lions from SW Washington gather for fun, and fellowship. There will be friendships renewed, new friends gained and opportunities for expanding our Lion knowledge. Fun is the focus of every conference.

Friday night, the annual FUN NIGHT, will feature games and contests for attendees. We will chuckle, sample and compete with song, dance and silliness. Hawaiian Shirts and Funny Hats is the fun night theme. There might just be a hula contest.

So – check your MD19 Roster for all the requirements of the various contest opportunities. Take a look at the Uniform Parade (takes time to order new uniforms), Comedy competition (musical and story telling). Encourage members to not only attend the conference, but to participate in making this an outstanding conference.

Helen Sutfin, Contest and Awards Chair

# FISH Food Bank Project

On Martin Luther King day the Fort Vancouver Lions stepped up in a big way. The FISH Food Bank asked for help unloading and sorting food that was donated during the Walk and Knock food drive. Many of our members showed up and went to work. There was a lot of food and it had to

be sorted so the stockers could find it and stock the shelves while

workers hand it out to those that need it.

Most of us worked over 3 hours, probably putting in close to 100 hours working that day. It was amazing how much food was there. Wendy Bukoski, the manager, was so impressed by the numbers that showed up. Not only did we have over 20 members there, Lion Al Ryhasen brought many from his church.

We showed up in a big way when asked for help. It is a small example of what this club does when asked for manpower. Great job

evervone.

Also, the Rich's have signed up to work there weekly. Nancy Brown, Tim Ragland, and Bob Weller along with Roy Pulliam already work there. Others have stated they want to sign up too.







# A Special Christmas for Some Special Children

Lion Eva Halter is a wonderful advocate for children in the foster care system. She received word, just before Christmas, that several children had been removed from their home. Their



Christmas looked very bleak. Eva contacted members of our Lions Club to ask for gifts for theses kiddos. As usual, some of our members stepped up to the plate and the gifts were delivered in time to make this Christmas a bit better for them. The Board of Directors of Bridge The Gap sent this HUGE thank you card to show their appreciation for our efforts. And we say thank you back to them for all they do for our precious children in foster care. And extra special thanks to Lion Eva, who gives so much to these children.

# Proposed FTVC Lions General Membership Meeting Schedule February 2 through March 30 2018

At ELKS Lodge unless otherwise noted

Date	Time	Location	Notes
Roy Pulliam Program Chair			
Friday, Feb. 2	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Friday, Feb 9	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Friday, Feb 16	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	Board Meeting 10:30
Friday, Feb 23	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Phyllis Goldhammer Program Chair			
Friday, Mar 2	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Friday, Mar 9	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Friday Mar 16	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	Board Meeting 10:30
Friday, Mar 23	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	
Friday, Mar 30	12:00 noon	Elks Lodge	

# Proposed FTVC Lions Activities/Service Projects Schedule February 5 through March 30 2018

Date	Time	Location	Activity		
		FEBRUARY			
Tues, February 6	6:30 pm	WSSB	Clark County Lions Sight Committee Meeting		
Tues, February 6	6:00 pm	Blind Onion Pizza	Clark County Lions Hearing Committee Meeting		
Tues, February 20	20 6:30 pm WSSB President's Cou		President's Council		
Wed, February 21	3:00 pm	Share House	Prepare and serve food for homeless		
		MARCH			
Sat. March 3	TBD	TBD	Lions Learning Forum		
Tues, March 6	6:30 pm	WSSB	Clark County Lions Sight Committee Meeting		
Tues, March 6	6:00 pm	Blind Onion Pizza	Clark County Lions Hearing Committee Meeting		
Tues, March 20	6:30 pm	WSSB	President's Council		
Wed, March 21	3:00 pm	Share House	Prepare and serve food for homeless		
Wed. March 21	6-7:30 pm	Washington Elementary	Literacy night – we serve dinner and assist at Literacy Activity Centers		

Please email newsletter articles for the March newsletter to:
Shelly Brown at Lsbrown65@comcast.net by
<a href="mailto:Thursday">Thursday</a>, February 22! Thanks!!!

# Fort Vancouver Lions Board Meeting Friday, December 17, 2017, 10:30 am

King Lion Chriss Denny called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Lions Chriss Denny, Doug Wilson, Gay Enyeart, Steve Seymour, David Rich, Phyllis Goldhammer, Rick Giles, Len Leger, Lee Denny, and Tony Licata. Members present: Terry Robertson, Bill Shalaby, Jen Leger, and Steve Staudinger. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** The minutes from Friday, November 17, 2017 were presented. David Rich respectfully asked that he be identified as a board member and Steve Staudinger noted that he was not on the board this year. Lee made a motion to approve the minutes with these changes to the members present portion of the notes. Len seconded the motion. The minutes as amended were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gay presented the balances for the accounts (Foundation as of 11/17 \$11,426.96 and Admin bank \$3,409.38), while presenting the treasurer's report for November. There was a short discussion of the difficulty in getting checks. The Independent Financial Observation Team, composed of Steve Staudinger and Rick Giles, made their report on their examination of the club's financials. Their conclusion was that the books were in "great shape" and recommended that the current Treasurer continue her service into the next fiscal year. The board recognized the service of the Observer Team and expressed its gratitude to both the Team and the Treasurer for their service.

## **Proposals for Board Consideration:**

- 1. 1718-22 Tony made a motion that the FVL Board approve the membership application of Kelly Jones, who was one of our program speakers in November. She is the manager of The Veterans Resource Center at Clark College. Lion David Rich is her sponsor. Her application was received and her first years' dues paid by Lion David Rich. Doug seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Welcome Lion Kelly!
- 2. 1718-23 Gay made the motion for the FVL foundation to authorize the expenditure of our \$100 charity of the month to go to Fields of Life. This non profit organization works with local communities in East Africa to bring about positive change through the provision of quality education, clean water, health promotion and other community based projects. (Per our speaker, Frank Betzer on December 8, 2017.). Rick seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 3. 1718-24 The proposed motion for the FVL Board to approve cutting back our volunteer time for Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army was tabled. It was determined that the program chair can make the decision without board approval. It is recognized that it was very difficult to find enough volunteers to fill the schedule for two days and was supportive of the Chair, Eva Halter's decision to volunteer only for one day next year.

## General Membership Comments or Reports

(This is a time for Board members to listen to club members. It may be appropriate for Board members to ask clarifying questions however generally, no immediate action nor debate is appropriate during this segment of the meeting.)

There was a discussion on distributing and reviewing the policies to make sure that they reflect the budget process and other processes.

There was also a short discussion of the MODA center checks that have been received and potential discrepancies between what we have received and what the leads have reported.

# Board Members - Free Exchange of Information

- 1. Christmas Dinner Costs Gay Enyeart noted that several members had signed up for the Christmas Dinner (some with guests) who did not call to cancel or pay for the dinner. After some discussion, it was decided that next year we will set some parameters for the banquets to ensure that the club is not shorted by last minute cancellations.
- 2. Club Rosters (booklet and spreadsheet) The booklet has been distributed booklets were mailed to those members who do not regularly attend. Corrections were made to Linda Licata's phone number to 817-602-5520; and Kelly Jones was added; join date 11/17; 1013 NE 139th Ave.; Vancouver WA 98684; phone 360-721-1031; e-mail kjtamu86@gmail.com

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- 3. Melvin Jones Committee Lee was volunteered to serve on the committee and he and Steve will make inquiries regarding additional committee members.
- 4. DG Bill Karcher Stephen Staudinger reports that DG Bill is still in convalescent care. He is improving slowly. He likes to have visitors. He is staying at Prestige Care in Camas.
- 5. Membership Orientation Lion David Rich has the information on our orientation process, but would like to work with someone that is more familiar with the way our club has done this in the past. It was recommended that David work with Craig Limoges who has conducted Lion orientation in the past.
- 6. Lion Len noted that the Centennial Project Bronze Lion for the Washington State School or the Blind has arrived and is ready for installation.
- 7. Three Month Calendars Lion Chriss noted that board members should review the calendars and make additions or corrections before submitting to newsletter editor.
- 8. It was moved that the board provide a \$100 tip to the waiters at this meeting as it will be the last meeting in December. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Board Meeting will be January 19 at 10:30 am at China Cook Restaurant.

11:28 pm - Adjourn

Respectfully submitted, Secretary, Lion Doug Wilson



December 5, 2017

Board Room: Washington State School for the Blind

Officers:

Chair: Steve Seymour, Fort Vancouver

Vice-Chair: Bill Lundin, Hazel Dell Secretary: Jen Leger, Fort Vancouver Treasurer: TBD; Ralph Harding, Temp. Patient Care: Ralph Harding, Fort Vancouver

Attendee Introductions: Susan Nellor, Vancouver; JD Nellor, Vancouver; Bob Weller, Fort Vancouver; Bill Lundin, Hazel Dell; Steve Seymour, Fort Vancouver; Jen Leger, Fort Vancouver; Ralph Harding, Fort Vancouver; Dave Tanner, Ridgefield; Steve Komlofske, Washougal; John Caldwell, Fort Vancouver; Jeff Fish, Hazell Dell; Ed Hewitt, Columbia Crest; Kay Hust, Salmon Creek; Dana Hantho, LaCenter; David Page, Salmon Creek; Sari Lynne Wermlinger, Battleground

Meeting called to order by: Chairman Steve Seymour Time: 6:30 pm

<u>Approval of Minutes from Previous meeting</u>: Motion to approve with no changes: Ed Hewitt

Seconded by: David Page

Discussion: None

Vote Result: Motion Passed

<u>Treasurers Report:</u>

Beginning Balance (from Nov 7, 2017)	<u>\$ 5,359.00</u>
Donations/Income	-
Ridgefield Lions	1,500.00
North Clark County	1000.00
Jeanne O'Dell	100.00
Bill Lundin	5.39
David/Patty Page	25.00
Peace Health	75.52

Total Donations/Income \$2,705.90
Total Donations/Income/Cash in Account \$8,064.91

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Disbursements

Checkbook correction 61.91 Checks for eye exams and glasses (8558-8561 and 8563-8578) \$ 3,410.00 Luxottica (8562) \$ 1,000.00

Total disbursements \$ 4,471.91 Balance of Account \$ 3593.00

Average cost per case this month \$118.20

Accounts Payable

Total Pending Vouchers 32
Total Pending Payments -\$3,680.00
Total Accounts Payable

Available Balance to Date - \$87.00

Approval of Treasurer's Report Motion to Approve: David Page Seconded by: Bill Lundin

Discussion: Stephanie Stark shared recently learned that there is an internet company called Zennioptical who many Lions Clubs utilize to purchase glasses for their clients. Jen Leger reviewed the website and found the average cost to be approximately \$60.00. There may be issues for our clients to access internet and the need to measure their pupil distance. Ongoing discussion to follow if there are more questions.

<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 43,162.67</u>	<u>+\$454.45</u>
Vanguard-Dividend Growth Vanguard-Health Care Vanguard – Wellesley	\$ 8,515.45 \$ 6,643.57 \$ 2,982.27	+281.87 -32.64 +25.15
Vanguard Bonds	\$15,518.68	-9.97
USAA Income Stock Fund	\$ 4,762.68	+108.50
USAA Cornerstone	\$ 3,740.02	+\$16.26
<u>Instrument</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Gain/Loss</u>
Status of Endowments Report:	Dec 5, 2017	

Note: Stocks have increased a Total of \$4,862.21 since January 1, 2017

### Patient Care:

31 Applications for Service

2 Applications denied; 1 requires more information

28 Applications approved

New Business:

Two donation checks were submitted to the Sight Committee: Steve Seymore; Battleground Lions Club. Steve reminded every member to communicate our need for a new Treasurer. Current duties of position are being covered by Ralph Harding.

Jeff Fish gave a report on this year's success with annual Walk and Knock food drive.

LaCenter is starting a satellite Lions Club.

Battleground is having a Crabfest on January 20.

Steve read 3 thank you notes from clients who have received glasses.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 20 pm

Next meeting: January 2, 2018; WSSB Board Room; 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jen Leger, Secretary



# February 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	Lions Meeting 12 PM	3
4	5 Happy B Barbara	6Clark County Sight irthday 6:30 PM Fey (6) Clark Co. Hearing Blind Onion 6 PM	7 Happy Birthday Dorothy Scott	8	9 Happy Birthde Colleen Lanph Lions Meeting 12 PM	y10 ier
11	12 Happy Birthday Steve Staudinger	13 Happy Birthday Margaret Hegewald	14  OFFICE OFFIC	15	Board Meeting 10:30 AM Lions Meeting 12 PM	17
18	19	20 Happy Birthday Cheri Martin	2 1 Share House	22 Happy Birthday Martha Johnson Darvin Zimmerman	23 Lions Meeting 12 PM	24
25	26	27	28			



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Newsletter items due!!

Dates in RED mark our regularly scheduled meeting:

Meeting location:
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