



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

Established 1955

March 2020 ISSUE

Join Us Weekly at
Heathen Brewing Feral
Public House
1109 Washington St.
Vancouver, WA 98660
Check our meeting
schedule in the calendar!

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**MARCH SPEAKERS
PROGRAM DIRECTOR
PHYLLIS**

March 6

Blake Kincaid, Vancouver Engage-
ment Manager, Fort Vancouver
Regional Library

March 13

Jean La Crosse, Open House
Ministries, Donor
Relations Officer

March 20

Luke Brockman, Band Director,
Vancouver School of
Arts & Academics

March 27

Brandon Burger,
Backyard Birds

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King Lion Eva



Don't you just love this time of year? The daffodils and the trees are blooming and the days are noticeably longer. Spring is AWESOME!

Happy St. Patrick's Day! Just to pack a bit more fun into our regular Friday meeting on March 13th, we will celebrate by giving a prize to the one wearing the most green.

We are continuing our support of **Washington Elementary School** with Books Before Bedtime. Tony Licata is the chair for the event on March 4th 5pm to 6pm. We will be providing books for all of the children who attend; and serving Pizza for their families. This event is to encourage families to read to their children every evening. In April we will have literacy night and in May we will have the Flags for first graders to celebrate Memorial Day. These are great opportunities to invite your friends to help serve our community.

Each week, Fort Vancouver Lions volunteer at Friends In Service to Humanity (FISH), which is one of the food banks in in Vancouver, FISH of Vancouver provides food for low income families and the homeless population. There are openings for front desk volunteers who will check the clients into the computer, people to fill food orders at the windows and volunteers to stock the shelves. A shift is 3 hours a week. Call Dori Miller the FISH Volunteer Coordinator at 360-695-4908.

Every month, on the third Wednesday 2:30 to 5:00, Fort Vancouver Lions prepare and serve a dinner for the homeless in our community at Share House. This is a hands on service project that is direct service to needy members of our community. If you want to help please call our own Nancy Brown.

The Lions Learn Forum will be held

at the Cascade Tech Center at 12200 NE 28th St, Vancouver, WA 98682. The Forum is a one-day event occurring this year on Saturday, March 14th, 2020 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm). The day will be divided up into five breakout sessions (three in the morning and two in the afternoon). This is a totally FREE Lions event that will include lunch, snacks, and beverages. To ensure your spot at this year's Learning Forum, only 150 slots are available. Register at <http://lionslearningforum.org/>. Again, this is a FREE event for all Lions. This is the perfect opportunity to get acquainted with Lions from other clubs and learn a lot.

Steve Staudinger, our MD-19 District Governor, will be in charge of our Spring Conference at Ocean Shores, Washington. The theme is "The Roaring 2020s." We are going to have a great time. The 2019-2020 District MD-19 G Spring Conference will be held at the Shilo Inn at Ocean Shores, WA April 24-25. Register on line at <https://lionsmd19.org/>.

We had our first New Member Orientation of 2020 on February 25th at 1:00 at the home of Craig Limoges, our Membership Chairman. We want to welcome new members Jennifer Denny, Suzanne Day and Carlee Stiltner to Fort Vancouver Lions.

I am so proud of Fort Vancouver Lions Club. We are making a positive impact on our community in real ways that are making a difference. Let's keep doing up the good work. (<:}

King (Queen) Lion
Eva Halter



Fort Vancouver Lions Club

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Mark Your Calendars for these events @ Washington Elementary

- 3-4-20 Books Before Bedtime (5:00-6:30pm)
- 4-22-20 Literacy night (5-6:30pm)
- 5-17-20 Flags for First Graders (takes place the week before Memorial Day but the exact date is decided later)



DISTRICT GOVERNOR CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE

Club	Location	Date	Time
Ocean Shores Lions	G-3	February 27th, 2020	12:00 PM
Centralia Lions	G-4	March 2nd, 2020	6:30 PM
Napavine-Newaukum Lions	G-4	March 4th, 2020	12:00 Noon
Central Park Lions	G-3	March 4th, 2020	6:30 PM
Adna Lions	G-4	March 9th, 2020	7:00 PM
Boistfort Lions	G-4	March 16th, 2020	6:30 PM
Hoquiam Lions	G-3	March 17th, 2020	12:00 Noon
Cosmopolis Lions	G-3	March 25th, 2020	6:30 PM
Lyle Lions	G-6	April 6th, 2020	6:00 PM
La Center Lions	G-2	April 16th, 2020	7:00 PM
Fort Vancouver Lions	G-2	April 17th, 2020	11:30 AM

These are Steve Staudinger's visitations.
 Let's support District Governor at his visitations. If you want to carpool call 360-607-3310

Help Bowl Down Diabetes Bowling Tournament

April 19, 2020 is the first annual Fort Vancouver Lions Bowl Down Diabetes Bowling Tournament. We need four person teams, no experience needed price of \$30.00 includes shoes and ball if needed. We are bowling for charity and fun. There is no prize money, the prize is you are helping bring diabetes awareness to more folks. Money raised from the tournament will be donated to the local American Diabetes Association (ADA) which includes Western Washington. I am hoping each Lion club and Leo club in Clark County can put a team together. Invite your friends as well. We ask if each Lion club can put a basket together for the raffle. Lion Rick Giles is donating use of his condo in Sun River. More details to come. Thanks Lion Gay Enyeart



FORT VANCOUVER LIONS 1ST ANNUAL BOWL DOWN DIABETES FUNDRAISER *Benefiting the Diabetes Association of America*



Sunday April 19, 2020
Bowling 10:00 am

\$30.00 per person
Check in 9:15am

Husted's Hazel Dell Lanes 6300 NE Hwy 99 Vancouver WA 98661 360 694 8364
www.hazeldellanes.com

Entry Deadline April 17th, 2020

Fundraiser information:
Bowl 3 games - Raffle prizes (tickets \$1.00 each or 7 for \$5.00)

Send entry fee to:
Fort Vancouver Lions Foundation
Gay Enyeart
2709 NE 102nd St.
Vancouver, WA 98686
Contact info: 503 799 1099 Email glenyeart49@gmail.com

Team Captain Name _____
Name _____
Name _____
Name _____

Phone _____
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Make checks payable to: **Fort Vancouver Lions Foundation**

100% of net proceeds benefit **American Diabetes Association**
The mission of the American Diabetes Association is to prevent and cure diabetes and improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. The vision is a life free of diabetes and all its burdens.



Who's Who in Fort Vancouver Lions Club

Linda and Tony Licata

We grew up in northern New Jersey. Our moms worked together for years as waitresses. We like to tease that we started our relationship as young ones (ages 6 and 4.) Indeed, we were acquainted as teenagers, but then wound up together at Lehigh University and started dating when Linda was a freshman and Tony a junior. After Tony graduated in 1973 as an electrical engineer, we decided to move to Kentucky where Tony had done some volunteer work in hard pressed areas of Appalachia in eastern Kentucky. While Tony decided to start a business as part of an economic development project, Linda transferred to the University of Kentucky to begin her career passion as a registered nurse. We were married in June 1974 and Linda transferred again to Berea College to finish her BS in Nursing. There began our first nine years together.



Our lives in Kentucky were rich with work, friends and our faith community. Tony had a small manufacturing company where he employed about twenty people in the wood products industry. Linda finished her nursing degree and went to work in the local public health system. There our two oldest sons Tony and Nick were born. Life was good.

In the recession of the early 1980s the economy sputtered badly. We lost our business in a stock struggle with a venture capital group. So we picked ourselves up, dusted ourselves off and life brought us to Connecticut where Tony worked for GTE and Linda was mostly at home with our boys while supplementing our family income with some part time nursing work. Our extended families all lived in the Northeast, so it was great fun to live close and get some grandparent, aunt, uncle, and cousin time for our boys. Tony discovered bicycling, continued with his music, and enjoyed his role as the family's "Mr. Fixit." Our third son, Joe, was born in Connecticut and Linda coordinated a healthy, nurturing, and loving atmosphere for us all.

GTE created opportunities for Tony's career, and after about five years we decided to take a risk and a corporate move to Texas in January, 1987. Leaving the warm embrace of extended family wasn't easy, but we did. We left Connecticut on a cold, wintery, early January morning and arrived in sunny North Texas. Life was literally "full of sunshine" and we adapted quickly. A local neighbor was riding his horse through our new neighborhood the first week we arrived. Our two-year old Joe loved playing with toy horses and when this neighbor lifted our diaper clad boy onto the saddle of his tall horse, the boys were convinced we had truly moved to the "wild west." Although their expectation of riding a horse to school never came true, we all fell in love with "Big-Texas" especially the friendliness of the people.

We immediately began making connections and enjoying our new community. The boys participated in every sports team life had to offer and Tony coached a full spectrum of those teams. Tony joined a cycling club, began bicycle racing and tried to train regularly. Good weather in North Texas helped. Linda worked part time for the Visiting Nurse Association and dove into volunteer opportunities at the kids' schools and our church.

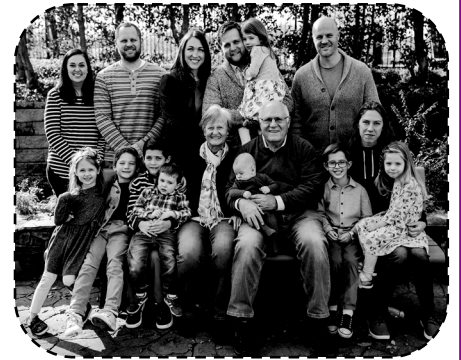
In early 1992, opportunity and risk presented itself again for Tony's career. GTE along with 3 other international companies, had invested in the Venezuelan national telephone company when it was privatized. Tony was recruited to be part of GTE's initial expatriate team for his business and operational skills and also because Tony is fluent in Spanish. He was a high school foreign exchange student to Argentina in 1968. Like the move to Texas before, we took the risk and moved to Caracas, VZ in August 1992.

We lived in Venezuela for two years and did our best to experience the people and the culture. Venezuelans are wonderful people, full of joy and spirit of the moment. In the early 1990s Venezuelans truly wanted to become part of the global economy and having an effective and modern communications system was critical to those aspirations. At the time of the privatization, they enjoyed nothing of the sort. The task of rebuilding the communications infrastructure after decades of neglect was monumental but teamwork between Venezuelans, Spaniards, and Americans made miracles happen. Tony led a large organization in logistics and worked hard with GTE's diverse partners to create a valuable resource for the people. We all made lifelong friends and gained invaluable perspective and experience. It pains us greatly to see the totally unnecessary tragic conditions in Venezuela today.

After two years in Venezuela we decided it was time to bring the boys home for high school. We moved back to Texas and back into our domestic lives. Tony worked, coached, and played with the boys and Linda did the same, minus the coaching but as the boys' number one fan. We helped our boys finish high school, get through university, and begin their own careers and families. Both of us went back to school to get graduate degrees. As each of our boys launched into their own lives and found their life-partners and careers, our home went back to being "just the two of us."

Tony retired from GTE, by then Verizon, and increased his volunteer work especially with the Lions. Tony became a Lion in 2003. He also served in a variety of civic positions and eventually for four years as a city council person. Linda got very busy in leadership at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas. In 2011, we decided "empty nesting" was giving us the opportunity to move to a location that would "feed our souls" for more outside time, natural beauty, and adventure. We always loved Colorado so our quest for the mountains eventually led not to the Rockies, but to the Great Pacific Northwest and Vancouver, in Sept 2012. We both have permanently burned into our memories our feelings of joy and liberation as we descended into the Columbia River Valley and the Gorge.

While Linda set up as the Director for Women's and Children's Services at Peace Health Southwest, Tony went on a vision quest to find a Lions club and ended up with our own Fort Vancouver Lions. He also quickly discovered the Vancouver Bicycle Club and learned to become a gentleman farmer and vintner. Linda left her mark over seven years at Peace Health and she semi-retired in 2018. Now we enjoy our hobbies, volunteer work, our friends and most especially our eight grandchildren, our sons, and our daughters-in-law.



Please email newsletter articles for the **April newsletter to: **Shelly Brown** at **Lsbrown65@comcast.net** by **Wednesday, March 25!****
Thanks!!!

Lions Sight Foundation of Clark County February 4, 2020 WSSB Board Room

Attending: John Caldwell, Jeff Fish, Ralph Harding, Kay Hust, Mary Jarson, Al Kostman, Bill Lundin, Mike McCamish, Mark Miller, JD Nellor, Susan Nellor, David Page, Leslie Chasse

Meeting called to order by Jeff Fish at 6:30.

Approval of February minutes: Jeff Fish called for a motion to approve, move to do so by Bill Lundin, seconded by Ralph Harding. Minutes approved as presented.

Approval of February Treasurers report: Jeff asked for a motion to accept report. Motion made by David Page, seconded by JD Nellor. Motion approved as presented. Hard copies available upon request.

Foundation Report: no withdrawals necessary.

Old Business: Jeff Fish brought up the need for Clubs to support the Sight Foundation to stop the eroding of the Endowment fund. Clubs who have not yet donated are: Hazel Dell, Dawn, Orchards-Evergreen, Washougal and Cascadia. Bill Lundin reminded those in attendance that Vision/Sight are the founding principles of Lionism. Also, that we need to re-evaluate Lions' position in the community, more churches now serve their communities. G-6 Zone Chair, Leslie Chasse, pledged his support to spread our message of the Sight Foundation during the balance of his visitations. The potential of a fund raising auction, like in the past, was mentioned and the importance of applying for grants. And the need to bring in younger members to our clubs and to the Foundation was mentioned. Creation of a Go Fund Me account was brought up as a modern way of fundraising. Jeff Fish reminded us that he is investigating other organizations that he is aware of who support non-profits. Jeff brought us up to date on the guitar internet auction. Results have been disappointing.

New Business: None brought up due to length of previous discussions.

Patient Care: PCC David Page's new, updated internet based patient care system is so successful, he has asked for an assistant to help him out. He is looking for these qualifications: Ability to: attend the monthly meeting, ability to access a drop box account, handle electronic communication between the PCC, providers, and applicants, be able to "cut and paste" and convert vouchers from Word to PDF format. David estimated that this would take about 2 hours a month after an orientation period.

Before the application reviews took place, David updated us that Lenscrafters still has not resolved their logistics problem with not accepting out payment checks.

Finally, 54 applications were received by the PCC. 4 of these were denied, 3 because there was no contact information and one for out of area. Two other applications are being held waiting for more information. There were 48 applications to be reviewed tonight. David's preview email of applicant information is available upon request.


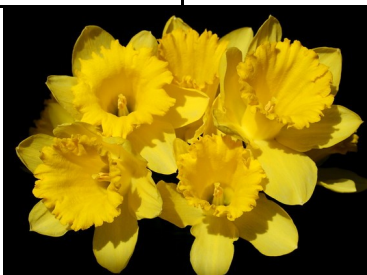
See everyone at the March 3, 2020 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Nellor, Secretary





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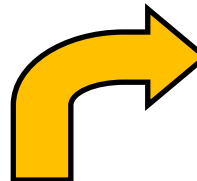
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8 Happy Birthday Fred Larson	9	10	11 Happy Birthday John Caldwell	12 Happy Birthday Terry Sutfin	13 Lions Meeting 12 PM	14 Lions Learning Forum 9:00 - 3:30
15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's day 	18 Share House	19 Happy Birthday Bruce Armstrong	20 Board Meeting Lions Meeting 12 PM	21
22 Happy Birthday Rick Giles	23 Happy Birthday Craig Lyons	24 Happy Birthday Raymond Casey	25 Newsletter items due!!	26	27 Lions Meeting 12 PM	28
29	30	31				



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