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May 2020 ISSUE

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR

May 1
TBD

May 8
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King Lion Eva



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It's Spring!

We had April showers and April flowers which seems very normal, however things aren't really normal at all. Having the menacing silent and invisible enemy (Covid-19) threatening our health and well-being isn't normal at all, is it? On the brighter side, one of the obvious positive results of our community staying home is that the yards in our neighborhood are looking better than I can remember them ever being. Having our weekly Ft. Vancouver Lions Club meetings on Zoom has been very interesting and it is a delight to see those who join us but it doesn't feel normal, but it may become our new normal.



The Lions who have reported in have been keeping busy. I have been spending 6-8 hours a day making masks. Lots of fun colors and fabrics. I sent 300 masks to my daughter who is a nurse in a retirement center. It takes as much time to acquire the fabric as it does to sew the masks. I was at the store 20 minutes before it opened and there were 19 people ahead of me in line.



Our Board accepted the membership application of John Lyon's Neighbor, Patty Sluys. Good job John for sharing Lions Club with a friend and **Welcome Patty.** We are looking forward to meeting you.

With all of our meetings, service projects and fundraisers put on hold until we are past this health threat we are challenged to come up with new ways to serve our community. We participated in the Salvation Army Food Drive Monday April 27th. As more opportunities present themselves we will keep you informed. Please contact me if you have some ideas for service.

The Fort Vancouver Lions Club is 65 years old this spring. It might be a while before we can have a celebration so in the next three months we will be remembering our proud heritage with articles in the newsletter. That is going to be something to look forward to.



Queen Lion Eva Halter



**Fort Vancouver Lions Club
Officers 2019-2020**

President: Eva Halter
 1ST VP - Fundraising: Gay Enyeart
 2ND VP Service: Lance Ebarb
 Secretary: Carol Bisbee-Cooper
 Treasurer: Rick Giles
 Membership Chair: Tim Ragland
 Past President: David Rich

Directors:

1-year Ken Milligan
 1-year John Lyon
 2-year Helen Sutfin
 2-year Doug Wilson

Ceremonial Officers:

Tail Twister: Jen Leger
 Lion Tamer: Fred Larson

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**Fort Vancouver Lions Club
Nominations For 2020 - 2021**

Please review the list. This list is proposed by the Nominating Committee. **If you wish to nominate anyone for any of the positions please let us know IMMEDIATELY** via email or phone call to Lion Craig: craiglimoges@hotmail.com or (360) 903-7501. Thank You!

President Gay Enyeart
1st V President Allen Rhyasen
2nd V President Bill Shalaby
Secretary Shelly Brown
Treasurer Rick Giles
Membership Craig Limoges
Past President Eva Halter
1 year director Helen Sutfin
1 year director Doug Wilson
2 year director Martha Johnson
2 year director Jennifer Denny

While the following positions are not Board positions that require a vote of approval, we wish to express our appreciation for the following individuals for stepping forward to serve in the position(s) noted:

Tail Twister (Rotating)
Lion Tamer John Caldwell, Jerry Jacobus

Respectfully submitted,
 The Nominations Committee

Fort Vancouver Lions Club Strawberry Sale



Fort Vancouver Lions Club
 FRESH STRAWBERRY SALE June 2020
 has been **CANCELLED**



We are very sorry to announce that there will not be a FRESH STRAWBERRY SALE this June due to the Coronavirus situation. We hope you are each safe and staying home during this time.

We are pleased to let you know that we are planning a Frozen Berry Sale in August. Watch for information in July.

Thank you for all your continuous support through the years.

If anyone knows who the **newsletter** has been **mailed** to, please let Rick Giles know at rick.giles@hearingbydesign.net or call 360-696-3696.



Fort Vancouver Lions Club Members Dues Increase

Multiple District 19 increased membership dues last November and will increase them one more July 1st. Lions Clubs International is also planning on a dues increase. Instead of two increases over the next 6 month your Ft. Vancouver Lions Board has decided to increase dues to cover the increase by MD-19 and LCI by \$15 per person.

Dues amounts for your next statement will be \$90 for a member and \$70 for a family member.

Rick Giles,
Treasurer
Fort Vancouver Lions

Lions Sight Foundation of Clark County

Trustees of the Lions Sight Foundation of Clark County and Clark County Lions:

We are suspending the May Lions Sight Foundation meeting normally held the first Tuesday of the month, which would be May 5th.

The executive officers made the decision last month to suspend applications for several reasons; most if not all eye clinics are closed, the fact that we did not want a bunch of approved applications in the public where the client would possibly be pressuring clinics to open up for them, not to have to deal with the "fall out" of people that don't follow up anyway, etc.. Ralph Harding and especially David Page have been working diligently to update the website and make contact with service providers and other organizations that send us clients, to inform them of our suspension of activities. We are going to continue that suspension this month, May 5th.

Once it has been approved for people to get back to work, in all parts of society, we will look at how fast we can get up and service the needs of our Lions Light Foundation clients.

We all want to get back to serving the public as soon as possible but we need to work with the needs of our eye care partners. We need to see how our eye care partners want to integrate us into their normal operations since I am sure they have a back log of personal clients they need to service.

For anyone that has any questions or concerns I can be reached at: Jeff@FishConstructionNW.com.

Again, thank you to David, Ralph, Susan and Bill for their hard work during these unusual times.

Sincerely,
Jeff Fish, Chairman
Lions Sight Foundation of Clark County



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

Who's Who in Fort Vancouver Lions Club

Steve & Gay Enyeart

I will always remember a friend from our freshman year in high school asked me if I had applied to join the Whitecaps at our high school. When I told her no, her comment was "are you too good to volunteer?" I was already in the band and how can we work at the concession stand during the football and basketball and be in the band as well. I applied and became a Whitecap and have enjoyed volunteering ever since then.

Growing up I loved to play softball. I pitched most of the time and played short stop. I coached softball starting my freshman year in high school thru my senior year. Great times. Steve and I met in 1975 and got married 1 year later, 5/1/76. We have 2 sons Geoff 42 and Greg 40. We were involved with them in soccer, baseball and later basketball as both coaches and board members. Many good memories of their younger experiences, Geoff small for his age in a tournament final, age 9 on a cold and very wet day having to step thru a large puddle then taking a shot to the face to block a potential goal – they won the Parkrose Tourney that day. Greg made an unassisted triple play in T-Ball – only the coaches new what happened. We moved from Peacock Lane to Hillsboro in 1989 and continued to stay involved as coaches.

My employment was at Pacific Power & Light Company downtown Portland. I started in 1972 in the data processing department. I later transferred to customer accounting. I left in 1990 when Utah Light and Power was bought by Pacific Power. I was not willing to move to Salt Lake City.

Then in 1990, I joined the local Optimist club, Steve the following year. The Hillsboro Optimist club was very busy and soon I was on the board and Steve followed as we both club secretaries and then presidents. I continued at the District level being a Lt Governor and, on several committees – my favorites were Childhood cancer and Oratorical contest and the Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH). Other committees were essay chair, leadership and development, candidate qualification and, new club building and past governor duties. Steve held positions more than once as a Lt governor and was on some committees as well. Then in 2005 I was elected Governor elect of the NW District serving in 2006-2007. I was very proud that we were a distinguished District that year. We built 3 new clubs and had a plus in membership. I received the Roy Proctor Lifetime Achievement award from the District in 2009.

We moved to Vancouver in 2008 and both joined the Vancouver Optimist club (founded in 1946, but floundering with decreasing membership now). I became president of the club for 2 years and then Steve was as well. Steve has been Director of the 43 Acre Youth camp on the East Fork Lewis River since 2010 and has spent many hours with help to rebuild the camp facilities and maintain the property. This club had a very successful Oratory contest and we added the [CCDHH](#) contest, both District events with scholarships. We worked with the Vancouver School for the Deaf and had some winners from their school getting scholarships. Steve is presently Chair of the Trustees at Salmon Creek UMC and works on several projects each year at the church. We have sponsored a Youth Appreciation award event for Jason Lee and Gaiser middle schools (Optimist event) for the last 4 years held at the church – attendance 70 – 90 kids and family members each year.

I met Dotty Scott at a networking group and she invited me to visit the Fort Vancouver Lions club. I was a speaker at this club prior to my visit and I remember how welcoming and friendly this club is. I immediately loved the members and all the great service projects the Fort Vancouver Lions Club were doing. For a short time, I was a program chair, held the office of treasurer, membership chair and 1st VP. We love cooking the International Dinner as a fundraiser and sharing the love of food and travel. In 2018 I was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellow award.

Our church is very important to us. Steve and I have lead the kitchen function of the annual benefit auction dinner for the last two years in November. We also lead the kitchen effort for breakfasts to fund projects like Family Promise, our Youth Group, mission team, etc. church groups.

Steve and I also enjoy traveling and have visited many interesting places. As a result of International travel, I love to try the menus of the countries and prepare them here at home for our International Dinner for the Lion's Club. I will eat anything once that doesn't bite me back. The most eventful was Haggis in Scotland. My opinion they have eaten all kinds of things for years and are still alive. Nothing goes to waste. Of course, a good beer helped prior to tasting.

We have one granddaughter, Jennifer who is a junior in high school. She has played soccer and softball. She loves choir, is an honor student. She loves to cook so when she is here we have a great time in the kitchen. We love to play board and card games. She and Steve love to do puzzles. I furnish snacks.



Fort Vancouver Lions Board Meeting Friday, April 17, 2020, 1:00 pm Via Zoom in the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic

King Lion, Eva Halter called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

Board Members Present: Lions Eva Halter (King Lion), Doug Wilson (Acting Secretary), Rick Giles (Secretary), Gay Enyeart, Craig Limoges, Helen Sutfin, and John Lyons. A quorum was present. Guest: DeAnn Miller.

Standard Reports to the Board:

Secretary's Report

Minutes: John moves, Rick seconds: the minutes from February were approved unanimously.

Correspondence: None.

Treasurer's Report:

- Administrative (Club) Fund (as of 4/17/2020)--\$ 2,936.38 plus market accounts ~\$7000 changing daily due to the financial crisis associated with COVID-19.
- Foundation Fund (as of 4/17/2020)--\$ 2,139.38

Rick provides update on financials associated with COVID-19 pandemic. Loss of the Strawberry Fruit fundraiser has caused a significant deficit in income for the Foundation. Craig asks about negative fixed assets – write off on items depreciation. Current liabilities are about \$1000 but have dug into our restricted funds.

Craig will draft a motion to move any new funds into the Foundation to balance the restricted funds and to segregate them into a separate savings account. Anything over the restricted funds can go to current obligations that were budgeted for. Budgeted items include Scouts BSA Pack 320, Camp Leo, Clark County Hearing, Gales Creek, Guide Dogs, LCIF, Leader Dogs, LERC, Seafarers, and White Cane. The draft will be submitted to the board for review and then an email vote will be made.

Eva will draft an email/letter to Club regarding asking for donations to the Foundation to help restore the restricted funds and to help with Lions activities. She will include information on the deductibility of the contributions. It is recommended that we solicit the community as a whole to support the Foundation. Craig offers to contact the Community Foundation. Cheri Perry might be able to use her staff to send out information to contacts to solicit donations.

Old Business

Craig and the nomination committee will ask Dotty and Cheri to join the board.

New Business

None

Meeting ends at 1:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Doug Wilson

Lions in Zoom Meetings



**Fort Vancouver Lions Board Meeting
Friday, April 24, 2020, 1:00 pm
Via Zoom in the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic**

King Lion, Eva Halter called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

Board Members Present: Lions Eva Halter (King Lion), Carol Bisbee-Cooper (Secretary), Doug Wilson (Secretarial Assistant), Rick Giles (Treasurer), Lance Ebarb, Gay Enyeart, Craig Limoges, John Lyons, David Rich, and Helen Sutfin. A quorum was present.

Standard Reports to the Board:

Secretary's Report

Minutes: minutes from April 17 were approved unanimously.

Correspondence: None.

Treasurer's Report:

As of today four members have donated \$3768.62 which will make the Foundation Account whole. Cannot open up a separate account until the banks open up. The restricted funds are in a separate account in Quickbooks. Did file for the community grant and has been submitted. Asking for \$10,000 from the Community Foundation regarding what we lost for berry sales.

Gay asks about minimum amount in the bank to avoid a fee. Rick will look into this.

Old Business

19-20.25—Slate of new officers (Craig Limoges)

President Gay Enyeart; 1st Vice President Allen Rhyasen; 2nd Vice President Bill Shalaby; Secretary Shelly Brown; Treasurer Rick Giles; Membership Craig Limoges; Past President Eva Halter; 1st year director Helen Sutfin; 1st year director Doug Wilson; 2nd year director Martha Johnson; 2nd year director Jennifer Denny; Tail Twister Rotating; Lion Tamer John Caldwell, Jerry Jacobus.

Motion to accept nominating committee Lance motion, David second, passes unanimously.

Will announce this slate to the membership three times (once via email, once in the newsletter, and once at the next Zoom meeting) and ask for nominations from the floor, then an email vote and sending list of officers to MD-19 and ILC. Carol notes that she will need to enter that into LCI before May 15.

New Business

19.20.27—Appeal letter for donations Eva Halter. Eva will email the one to the members this afternoon to Craig. Craig will send to board regarding wordsmithing, then will send to Tony to email out.

Some discussion on wordsmithing the letters and about whether to send out the letter to the Friends of Fort Vancouver Lions.

Motion: to table the solicitation letter to the Friends of Fort Vancouver Lions (berry list). Moved and seconded. Passed, one opposed.

Committee Reports

Fundraising (Gay Enyeart): good first step for fundraising. By next board meeting will have a good idea for what we can raise money for. Suggests we may want to have a fundraiser dinner. Bowling fundraiser for the Diabetes Foundation will be rescheduled.

Service Projects (Lance Ebarb): Service projects for COVID-19 County list. Seeking projects given the limited ability to move around. Notes that our school indicated that there was nothing that we could do right now with the school closed, but Elizabeth will let us know if we can help out.

Membership Committee (Craig Limoges): see notes above. See attachment – issues of bringing in new members. Craig summarizes approaches to bringing in new members. Every member could invite good friends and neighbors to meetings or service projects once the place is opened up. Lions could be a magnet for projects that will appeal to younger people – maybe a different set of membership class – participants in service projects.

John Lyons puts forth a member application, Patty Sluys. Rick motion to accept, David second. Approved as a member unanimously.

Dues Increase

Motion to raise dues to \$90 for a Member and \$70 for Family. Rick made motion, John second. Passed unanimously.

Announcement will be sent out to the meeting next week and into the newsletter written by Rick.

Next meeting will be May 15th, 10:45 AM Zoom Board Meeting prior to club meeting.

Meeting ends at 2:14 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Doug Wilson



*** DONATION AMOUNT CORRECTION ***

Dear Fort Vancouver Lions Club Foundation (**DE246**),

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to not just part of, but to help create a stronger community. We recognize that every community has unique causes that need support. Thank you for being such an important organization in our community.

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Thank you for being such an important organization in our community,
Community Rewards Staff

01-Jan-2020 - 31-Mar-2020

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May 2020

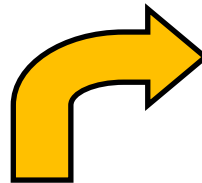
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| 17 Happy Birthday Tracy Fortman | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 Lions Zoom Meeting 12 PM Happy Birthday Helen Sutfin | 23 |
| 24/31 | 25  Newsletter items due!! | 26 Happy Birthday Nancy Preece | 27 | 28 | 29 Lions Zoom Meeting 12 PM Happy Birthday Allen Rhyasen | 30 |



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