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**SEPTEMBER SPEAKERS
 PROGRAM DIRECTOR
 DIXIE**

September 4
NO MEETING

September 11
 Mark Mansell,
 Club Rejuvenation

September 18
 Mark Mansell,
 Club Rejuvenation

September 25
 Club Rejuvenation

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Queen Lion Gay



First impressions. We get one chance. I'm excited to lead you. We need to make sure we give it our best. I sense excitement and passion from members of our Lions Club even though we continue dealing with this pandemic. Our Frozen Berry Sale is going better than we had anticipated.

Our club has grown since July with 3 new members. Shelley Staudinger joined our club in July. Mike and Diane Cavanaugh, transfers from Everett Lions Club, joined us in August. We also have two new associate members; Mark and Debbie Mansell and we have had a visitor, Mary Bedford Carter, relocating from California. Such a positive direction for our club!

Two new projects have been started this last month. Thank you Eva Halter and Jennifer Denny for picking up unsold produce at the Vancouver Farmers Market on Sunday and transporting to Share House. They have also worked at Heritage Farms Community Garden with weeding the gardens as well as picking produce and taking it to Share House.

Our club Policies and Procedures are being reviewed by said committee. The 2020-2021 Fort Vancouver Lions Club budget

was presented to and approved by the Board. We have accomplished a lot in the first two months of our fiscal year.

But wait, there is more. Our Membership Chair, Craig Limoges is heading up our Club Rejuvenation Project. The month of September will be dedicated to this pilot project. All members will be asked to participate in a survey. This is your club and your input is needed. Stay tuned as Craig guides us through this process. Our zoom meetings have been fun. We have had great speakers and educational programs. Thank you program chairs for your hard work.

I love being a part of this great club. I get to be involved with some amazing projects and people. I get to help make a difference.

Queen Lion Gay Enyeart



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Garage Sale

The garage sale will be held next spring or summer. A list will be compiled of items that sold well. We have mentioned that clothes do not sell well. Keep in mind articles given for the garage sale must be in good working order. If a battery is needed you could include it. Thanks again for those who helped make our last garage sale a huge success.



Fighting Hunger in Clark County

Ft. Vancouver Lions are serving the Vancouver community by working with the Clark County Food Bank to fight hunger. On Wednesday mornings we are harvesting produce from Heritage Farm, the 79 acres of the Washington State University Extension Campus. This site was formerly the Poor Farm established during the depression of the 1930s. On Sundays at 3pm we pick up the unsold produce from the Farmers market in Vancouver. These are two service opportunities that are managed by an AmeriCorp member, Cami, who is serving for nine months at the Clark County Food Bank.

This last week we harvested 500 pounds of onions and at least that many pounds of apples and 100 pounds of cucumbers. Volunteers Allen and Renee' Rhyasen, Jennifer Denny, Michelle Drushel, Sophie Doane and Eva Halter have spent time in the garden and transporting produce from the Farmer's Market to the food bank. Working in the garden is both therapeutic and peaceful hard work.

Everyone wears a mask so we are protecting the consumers of the produce harvested from any potential Covid-19 contamination. The farm is expected to produce 190,000 pounds of food for our community.

Lion Eva Halter



Lion of the Year Martha Johnson

Martha Johnson was awarded the Lion of the year 2020. Martha has been a member of the Ft. Vancouver Lions since 2013 and has been a hands on worker from that time. Martha has been the liaison between the Washington Elementary School and our Lions Club. Whenever a sign-up sheet was passed around Martha's name was typically on it to serve and help with our community projects. Some of the service projects included: Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army, serving Thanksgiving Dinner at Washington Elementary School, and collecting care items for foster children. When we honored Roy Pulliam with the Lifetime Achievement Award, Martha constructed a beautiful honor quilt for the occasion. When Eva Halter was making 100 dresses for orphans in Africa, Martha helped. When we needed a new Sunshine Chairman, Martha volunteered. The award was presented to Martha at the last meeting in July via Zoom meeting. Queen Lion, Eva Halter delivered the award plaque and Lion of the Year pin to Martha's home.

Thank you Martha for your excellent example of service to our community.

Past President
Eva Halter



Messages from Membership:

Survey: You should soon receive an email (or a printed version in your regular mail if you don't use email) that includes a link to a very important task: a membership survey. The survey will help us assess areas of possible improvement for our current members as well as identify ideas that appeal to potential future members. Please click on the SurveyMonkey link provided to complete your survey. Multiple members of the same household should complete and submit separate surveys. Please respond promptly so we can gather all answers and evaluate the results in a timely manner. The electronic survey is easy to complete—nothing to download, print, or mail.

Membership Rosters: Membership rosters are ready for distribution and will be mailed to each household in the near future. Many thanks to those who graciously volunteered their time to contact members to confirm roster information: Lions Gay, Al, Bruce, Len and Jen, Shelly, Bill and Eva. Thanks to Lion DeAnn for her logistical support.

The 14 Lions Clubs of Clark County are Seeking a "Forwarder"

What is a 'forwarder'? This person will receive emails that needed to be forwarded to various club officers. Usually, this is done by the Zone Chairman. To date we do not have a Zone Chair, so the flow of information from the Multi-District, District, Zone and Club leadership is not being sent. This is creating a void.

Job description: a list of all Lion leaders email addresses and up-dates will be given.

As notices are received from Zone leaders they will be sent to the 'forwarder' who in turn will forward them to Zone 2 club and leadership team. Time commitment - the messages to be sent along are not many - the end of the month would be the busiest with items from the Governor and Multi-district office. This is not a huge time requirement. It just requires someone who will take on the responsibility of moving the inter-district mail along.

Interested?

Contact: Helen Sutfin helens@wa-net.com

Fort Vancouver Lions "Flash Frozen Berry" Sale

Changes, there are always changes!!

Our 2020 frozen fruit sale was very successful this year, in part because of the restrictions placed on us by COVID 19.

In June, our famous and biggest fundraiser "Fresh Strawberry" sale was cancelled as our grower (Columbia Fruit) could not provide fresh berries.

This left us with our "Frozen Berry Sale" which we approached differently because of the COVID 19 concerns and state rules.

We needed to cut costs so we decided not to mail out flyers and market solely by email and Facebook. This decision saved us approximately \$700.

Dotty approached Facebook differently than we had in the past to cut costs and refine our marketing. We spent \$160 on Facebook compared to previous years \$300.

The customers were able to download a paper order form from our website and mail in their check as in the past. About 25% of our customers did that.

"Online" orders were higher than ever.

Len Leger came up with this idea! With about 10 days left of the sale he recommended we make calls to past customers (fresh strawberry & frozen berries) who have not ordered this year. Wanda and Bill prepared a customer list of people who bought last year. Ten Lions and three friends of Lions volunteered to make 250 calls. This resulted in more boxes being sold and our customers being happy because we reached out to them.

The lifeblood of any sale is attracting new customers. Last year we had 17 new customers. This year we had 30 new customers, eight from Facebook and 22 from "referred by a friend".

In 2019, we sold 180 boxes to 95 customers.

In 2020, we sold 275 boxes to 143 customers.

Twenty-eight Fort Vancouver Lions and friends participated this year to make the project a huge success. This was truly awesome how the club stepped up this year to help promote our sale.

Gross sales \$11,000, netting approximately \$6,260 for the club!

**Thank you, Fort Vancouver Lions,
for your support!**



Who's Who in Fort Vancouver Lions Club

Mike & Diane Cavanaugh

Hello, our names are Michael and Diane Cavanaugh. We recently moved to Vancouver from Edmonds, WA (just north of Seattle) where we were involved with the Everett Central Lions Club.

We had always heard of Lions but never got involved until after our son, Bob, was born blind. Mike started with the Edmonds Lions Club, but after our son was invited to and had a great time at the Everett Central Lions Fishing Derby; Mike joined the Everett club instead.

After several years, Mike was voted onto the Board of Directors where he was the recording secretary. Several years later, Diane joined the Everett Central Lions Club and was voted in as treasurer.

With the whole COVID-19 pandemic raging, Diane's company, F5 Networks, gave employees the option to permanently work from home. We had talked several times about moving to Vancouver, as Diane's three sisters are all within about a 90 minute drive; several of Mike's sisters had moved to AZ; and our son is familiar with the area as he's attended the State School for the Blind. Everything fell into place amazingly quickly, and here we are!

Mike currently is semi-retired and volunteering at FISH. He'd like to be employed again if the right job came along. He likes to listen to the fire/police scanners as he was once a 911 Dispatcher, would enjoy getting back into hunting if he had a partner, collects playing cards and likes to ride his bicycle.

Diane likes to cook, sew (she has made over 220 masks for friends, family and organizations such as WA Council of the Blind and Edmonds Food Bank), and read (she will be looking for a book club than enjoys a glass of wine as much as a good book).

Both of our adult children, Amanda (29) and Bob (26) are currently living with us. The economy being what it is has made it quite challenging for either of them to find employment.

We look forward to being more involved with the Fort Vancouver Lions Club.

Welcome

Fort Vancouver Lions Club and Foundation Board Meeting
August 14, 2020 10:15 AM
Via Zoom in the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic



The meeting was called to order by Queen Lion Gay Enyeart at 10:15 AM.

Board Members present: Queen Lion Gay Enyeart, Allen Rhyasen, Bill Shalaby, Rick Giles, Craig Limoges, Helen Sutfin, Eva Halter, Martha Johnson, Dotty Scott, DeAnn Miller, Shelly Brown, and Steve Staudinger. A quorum was present.

Standard Reports to the Board:

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Rick Giles, seconded by Allen Rhyasen and approved to accept the minutes from the July 17 meeting.

Treasurer's report: Rick Giles reported on the Administrative and Foundation reports for this month. After the budget is approved, he will be able to indicate the year to date information versus budget. The Treasurer's report will stand as presented pending the audit.

Old Business

20-21.2 NAMI or Club Rejuvenation Pilot Project Lion Craig Limoges presented as a part of the Membership Committee that they met with Stephanie O'Dell and Mark Mansell. A "test" survey was sent to the 4 committee members. The committee has decided on a survey to be sent out to members. A hard copy will be sent to those not using email. Those using email will receive it via Survey Monkey. The surveys are due by August 28th. Mark Mansell will present as the speaker the first 2 meetings in September. The committee is planning to have a finalized Membership Plan by the end of September.

20-21.3 Club Policies and Procedures Lion Helen Sutfin has requested that this be tabled until next month due to committee meeting restrictions and multiple changes being made. They will be ready to present at the September Board Meeting.

20.21.4 New Budget Lion Rick Giles presented the new Administrative and Foundation Budgets to the Board. After much discussion of how funding should be allocated, it was decided that Rick would update the budgets and resend them to the Board for email approval.

20.21.6 Roster Book Update Lion Craig Limoges presented that all of the information for the roster book is completed. He has communicated with PIP Printing and the rosters will be going to print soon. He also confirmed that the year of birth will NOT be printed in the roster. That information was only collected to update the LCI website.

New Business

Service Projects Lion Bill Shalaby presented about the 2020-2021 chairs of the Service Projects. The Washington Elementary School chair will be Martha Johnson, assisted by Jennifer Denny and Eva Halter. Nancy Brown will chair the Share House project. Environmental Projects will be chaired by Doug Wilson. Adam Hegewald will chair the Walk & Knock project. The Diabetes project of Tour de Cure will be chaired by Craig Limoges. Len Leger will contact Gales Creek Camp for that project, as well as the Children's Cancer Camps. WSSB Track Meet will be chaired by Lori Pulliam and Gay Enyeart will assist her. CC Hearing will be chaired by Rick Giles and Bill will check with Ralph Harding about the CC Sight Committee. There is a question of how the Boy Scouts will be able to meet, so no chair at this time.

After a discussion of how to participate in a School Supply Drive, it was suggested that our club focus on getting school supplies for the students at Washington Elementary School since we already have a connection to that school. Lion Martha is in contact with Elizabeth regarding this project. It was moved by Craig Limoges, seconded by Allen Rhyasen and approved that we table the request for school supplies from the Salvation Army.

20.21.7 Charity of the Month Tabled until next month due to time constraints.

20.21.8 Walk & Knock Give More 24 Tabled until next month due to time constraints.

20.21.9 Saturday Market Proposal Lion Eva Halter presented a proposal to the Board about a project involving moving produce from the Saturday Market on Sunday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. to deliver to the Food Bank. She also presented a project involving picking vegetables at the Heritage Farm and delivering those to Food Bank. Lion Craig moved, seconded by Lion Rick that the Board approve these as 2 separate projects. These proposals were both approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Next board meeting is September 18, 2020

Respectfully submitted,
 Shelly Brown

Lions Council Meeting Tuesday, August 18, 2020

Ryan Morrison called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

IPZC Debbie Mansell will chair the Zone Meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.

- 1st VDG Marilyn Patterson stated that she is impressed with the G2/G6 clubs. She said that the Zone Chair is the cement that holds the clubs together and keeps them connected to MD19 and LCI. The Zone Chair works for the Zone and the clubs. She had considered being Acting Zone Chair for G2 but realized that the responsibilities conflicted with the 1stVDG responsibilities and that it would take the onus of filling the Zone Chair position out of the zone.
- Camas is running a Fall Flower Fund Raiser. Order on line; flowers shipped directly to the customer. They are doing landscaping at Treasure House and planning a virtual food drive. They did clean-up at Camp Curry.
- Salmon Creek is focusing on new screening processes. They plan to loan 4 screening devices to schools and/or ESD112 and train staff at those facilities to do the screening. They are participating in Give More 24 and encourage more clubs to get involved. They will have their annual wreath sale. The process should be set up on line by September 1st.
- Fort Vancouver has three new members. Their frozen berry sale is online; order by August 26 for pick-up on August 29. They are working to update their Policies and Procedures Manual.
- Longview Pioneer is selling Kettle Korn in the Safeway parking lot on Ocean Highway. La Center had a great fireworks sale season.
- PCC J.D. Nellor reported that Walk and Knock will be a Drive and Drop event. There will be no bag folding due to the need for social distancing. There will be designated drop stops and donors will take their food to a drop spot.
- Sight Committee needs more people. Three of the active members are walking wounded. Applications are not being processed; everything is on hold during the pandemic. Sight Committee received a \$15,000 grant from the Lynch Foundation and a \$10,000 grant from the Price Foundation.
- MD19 Annual Convention will be held November 7th - Virtually. HUBB, a local site building company, is setting it up. It will be live on November 7th and then the sessions will be available online for 30 days. There will be a fee, not yet determined. There will be an Opening Session, an International Guest, a Keynote Speech, a Memorial Service; it's all in the set-up process.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 15, 2020
6:30 p.m. Chaired by Jack Johnson, Salmon Creek

Meeting adjourned 7:30pm.



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

Clark County Lions Sight Committee Executive Council Meeting August 4, 2020 Zoom Meeting

Attending: Jeff Fish, Bill Lundin, Ralph Harding, David Page, Susan Nellor, invited guest Kay Hust

President Jeff Fish called meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

First order of business, a health check in with David Page, Patient Care Co-Ordinator (PCC). Dave is on the road to recovery, but still on light duty orders. A health check in with Bill Lundin, Vice President. Bill is recovering from surgery, still on light duty orders.

Based on the health status of the PCC, President Jeff asked for a motion to defer August and future decisions on waiting applications. Bill Lundin made that motion to defer actions on incoming sight applications for undetermined length of time, at least one or two months. Susan Nellor, Secretary, seconded the motion. No objections, motion passed.

PCC David will attempt to forward July applications that were already in the system, to the two person review teams. Be on the look out teams, no exact timeline.

Discussion of new PCC. There is one potential candidate to be interviewed. Discussion on offering a salary to a qualified PCC, but there were too many questions on how to manage a paid employee to make a decision. This idea was tabled to a future meeting.

Current/temporary PCC David stated basic qualifications that a candidate should have: Basic computer equipment, with Microsoft office tools, email skills, familiarity with Microsoft Access and ability to manage a Sight Foundation drop box account.

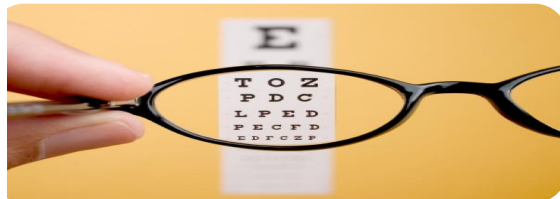
PCC David has already created a data base of approved vouchers from 2018 to January 2020. To solve duplicate application requests and other potential abuse issues.

All members having knowledge of PCC work flow were charged with two tasks: one, estimating how many hours a month are needed to do the PCC job, and two, is there a way to streamline/simplify the PCC work load. All ideas from all trustees are welcomed at September 1, 2020 Zoom meeting.

Meeting adjourned 7:25

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Nellor, Secretary





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September 2020

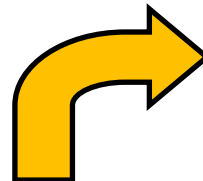
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Clark Co. Hearing Blind Onion 6 PM Clark County Sight 6:30 PM (Zoom)	2 Happy Birthday Bill Shalaby	3	4 No Meeting	5 Happy Birthday Ann Giles
6 Happy Birthday Nancy Brown Dixie Hotaling	7 	8	9	10 Happy Birthday Ken Milligan	11 Lions Zoom Meeting 12 PM	12 Happy Birthday Larry Brown
13	14 Happy Birthday John Lyons	15 Presidential Council Meeting-Zoom 6:30 PM	16	17	18 Board Meeting-Zoom 10:30 AM Lions Zoom Meeting 12 PM	19
20	21	22	23	24 Newsletter items due!!	25 Lions Zoom Meeting 12 PM	26
27	28	29	30 Happy Birthday DeAnn Miller			



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