



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

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December 2022 **ISSUE**

Join Us at

Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill
4708 NE Thurston Way
Vancouver, WA 98662

Check our meeting
schedule in the calendar!

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**DECEMBER SPEAKERS
PROGRAM DIRECTOR
MARTHA JOHNSON**

December 2
Andrey Ivanov,
Creating a Community
From Ashes

December 16
Christmas Dinner
Club Green Meadows
6:30 p.m.

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Queen Lion Cheri



There is a song by U2 called 'I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For'.

As we look around at what is happening in our society, it is pretty easy to see that many people are searching for something that they are having a hard time finding- what is it? Well the truth is that it is different for everyone but I believe that EVERYONE can find a good percentage of what they are looking for when they live a life of purpose and service. What a coincidence! Being an active member of our Fort Vancouver Lion's Club is all about serving others and fulfilling our purpose to add value to the people God places in our path. December is filled with both needs and opportunities to serve others. Be sure to check the calendar to see where you can help.

It's true that we may all be looking for different things and it is also true that many people have no idea WHAT they are looking for. That is why talking about and sharing your experiences in our club is so important. When you share- you give people things to think about and options for their life's journey.



Perhaps this December can be more than the end of another year, more than another holiday season. THIS December, let's share and invite others to take a look at our club. Let's help them find a way to serve and give back to the people in our community. Let's see if we can solve the mystery in U2's song and help people find what they are looking for!! Have a Wonderful Christmas Fellow Lions!

Yours in Lionism,
Queen Lion Cheri Perry



**Fort Vancouver Lions Club
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1-year	Michele Druschel
2-year	John Lyons
2-year	(Vacant)

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Lion Tamer:	(Vacant)

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Our Facebook Public Page	Fort Vancouver Lions
District 19G	www.19glions.weebly.com
LCI MD-19	www.lionsmd19.com
LCI	www.lionsclubs.org

LETS RING SOME BELLS!

Every year we look forward to wrapping up in several layers, loading up the mini candy canes, finding our best Christmas hats and figuring out how to play our favorite tunes. We do all of this so we can SERVE! We then add that red vest, our best smile and start ringing that bell.



Since 1891, when the first red kettle debuted, the Salvation Army has enlisted the help of people all across the country to help take care of people who need help. I'm not sure how long our Fort Vancouver Lions have been volunteering to ring the bell- but I know for sure it's been OVER 20 years! Ringing the bell is not just a tradition for my family but my company has been heavily involved also. When we link arms and join each other for these worthwhile causes, we add a little JOY and HAPPINESS to a starving world.

Join us December 10th! We still have a few slots open so YOU can ring the bell!!

Leadership@FortVancouverLions.Org to sign up!
Lion Cheri Perry

Fort Vancouver Lions Annual Christmas Party



"I'll Be Home For Christmas"



Friday, December 16, 2022

6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Entertainment, surprises, Prime Rib, Salmon buffet

We will have a quartet at the Christmas party!! Let's bless our entertainment. We will have a container for everyone to **Bless** and thank them, and show our appreciation.

FVLC SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

FISH Food Pantry – 906 Harney
 Contact meganb@fishvancouver.org 360-947-2368
 Must bring proof of immunizations (copy okay)
 Mike and Diane say the need is great. Nancy Brown works there as well.
 9 a.m.-12 & 12 p.m. – 2:30 p.m Mon- Fri also 4th Sat.

Dec. 3 (Sat) Walk and Knock
 Contact Adam Hegewald-
adam@hydraulics-inc.com

Dec. 10(Sat) Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army – Orchards Fred Meyer
 We will operate at all three doors. Still spots available. Contact Cheri.
 Let's show our service. cheri@gettmc.com

Dec. 14 (Wed) Santa Store – Washington Elem. Set Up 2:30p.m. – 4 p.m.
 Look for sign up sheet – many needed so that it will go fast

Dec. 15 (Thurs) Santa Store - Open for the day for students to shop
 8:30 – noon – then stay for lunch
 1p.m. – 3:30p.m includes counting and putting away- we're quick
 Look for sign up sheet

Michele, Helen, Martha

Any Friday Washington Elementary needs "Readers". People who will read and be read to by 2nd and 3rd graders one-on-one. Once a week, Fri. looks good. About an hour. Contact Elizabeth Owen – Washington Elementary
Elizabeth.Owen@vansd.org

Christmas Gifts for Foster Kids

Eva will be needing our help this year to provide Christmas for a few Foster kids. We will be helping her. Way to go Lions.

Washington Elementary Students Enjoy Shopping for their Families for FREE

Thanks to Ft. Vancouver Lions the students at Washington Elementary can once again shop for their families for Christmas treats for free. This marks the 12th year the Lions display a store in the Media Center at Washington Elementary. The students will shop with the aid of a Santa helper and pick out age and gender related gifts. The afternoon is spent wrapping those gifts for them to take home including a picture with Santa for their families.

We love doing this, says this year's committee members: Michele Druschel, Helen Sutfin, John Lyons, and Martha Johnson and the many volunteers it takes to put together a store.

Thanks Lions!

Lion Martha



Membership Meeting Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Notes
Martha Johnson, Program Chair			
Friday, December 2	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, December 2	1:00 P.M.	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	1:00 PM Board Meeting
Friday, December 16	6:30 P.M.	Club Green Meadows	
John Lyons, Program Chair			
Friday, January 6	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, January 6	1:00 P.M.	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	1:00 PM Board Meeting
Friday, January 20	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, January 27	TBD	Fourth Friday TBD	
Cheri Perry, Program Chair			
Friday, February 3	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, February 3	1:00 P.M.	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	1:00 PM Board Meeting
Friday, February 17	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, February 24	TBD	Fourth Friday TBD	

3-Month Activity Calendar



Date	Activity	Comments
December		
Saturday, December 3	Walk & Knock	Adam Hegewald, Chair
Tuesday, December 6	Sight Committee Meeting	Zoom
Tuesday, December 6	Hearing Committee Meeting	
Saturday, December 10	Salvation Army Bell Ringing	Cheri Perry, Chair
Thursday, December 15	WA Elem. Santa Store	Michele Druschel, Chair
Friday, December 16	Christmas Dinner @ Club Green Meadows 6:30—8:00 p.m.	Martha Johnson, Chair
Tuesday, December 20	President's Council Meeting	Zoom
Wednesday, December 21	Share House 11:00-2:00	Nancy Brown, Chair
January		
Tuesday, January 3	Sight Committee Meeting	Zoom
Tuesday, January 3	Hearing Committee Meeting	
Tuesday, January 17	President's Council Meeting	Zoom
Wednesday, January 18	Share House 11:00-2:00	Nancy Brown, Chair
February		
Tuesday, February 7	Sight Committee Meeting	Zoom
Tuesday, February 7	Hearing Committee Meeting	
Wednesday, February 15	Share House 11:00-2:00	Nancy Brown, Chair
Tuesday, February 2	President's Council Meeting	Zoom



Fort Vancouver Lions Club & Foundation Board Meeting
Friday, October 7, 2022 1:00 p.m.
Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill and Zoom

Queen Lion Cheri called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Board Members Present: Queen Lion Cheri Perry, Rick Giles, David Rich, Michele Druschel, Martha Johnson, Allen Rhyasen, and Shelly Brown.

Member Wins: Board members shared their wins for the previous week.

Standard Reports to the Board:

Secretary's Report: Lion Cheri made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 9, 2022 Board Meeting as presented. Lion David seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Lion Rick gave a report on the first quarter of this Lions year. The credit card system is working very well! Lion Rick will have the information about members who still have outstanding dues for the November Board Meeting. Lion David made a motion, seconded by Lion Martha to give Lion Rick the approval to write off the past due dues for the following Lions for the 2021-2022 Lions year: Dixie Hotaling, Katrina Galicz, Craig Lyons, and Darvin Zimmerman. The motion was approved by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

Game Night: Lion Martha gave a report about game night. This has not caught on yet. Lion Martha will reach out to Lion Mike to discuss ways to encourage this. The next event will be after the Washington Elementary Art Night service project on October 27th. Lions Cheri and Martha will coordinate this activity.

WA Elementary Activity: Lion Martha reported that the Washington Elementary Back to School event went very well! Lions handed out Rice Krispie treats to the kids. She is recruiting volunteers for the Art Night on October 27th. The Thanksgiving lunch has been cancelled by the Vancouver School District, so we won't be going to serve on November 17.

Clark County Relay: Lion Cheri gave an update on the Snack Booth at the Clark County Relay. Cheri's company made a donation to the Relay for Life. She shared a flyer she made describing our club to hand out at this event. She is looking forward to improving our part of this project for next year.

Gee Creek Updates: Lion Martha received feedback about the Gee Creek rest area. There are no open dates until June. There are many restrictions to what you can serve. This idea will be shelved for now.

Santa Store: The Santa Store is looking good. Lion Martha talked with Lion Eva to verify that we have all the gifts needed for this year's project. Lion Martha said we will need about 200 grocery size paper bags, as well as 30 red and/or green tablecloths. Lion Cheri will take care of the tablecloths. The sign-up sheets will be coming out in November.

NEW BUSINESS

New Location Committee: Lion Cheri discussed ways of making our current location more workable. It was proposed that we have a number system for our orders or possibly ordering online. Lions are encouraged to arrive early to order and get lunch before the meeting starts.

Amazon Smile Club Initiative: Lion Cheri asked that we put some thought into making this more successful.

December Christmas Meeting: Lion Cheri will be working with Lions Martha and John to make plans for our December Christmas gathering.

FVLC Sunshine Committee: Lion Cheri would like to get the sunshine committee more involved with communicating care to our members. She asked us all to think about ideas and share them using the Leadership email.

Foster Kids Christmas Gifts: Lion Eva has requested that our club members help with buying gifts for Foster Kids. The Board was really excited to be able to help with this! An email will be sent out to club members.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing: Lion Martha suggested that Lion Cheri contact Lion Doug and Lion Tracy about chairing this event.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Next meeting will be November 4, 2022 @ 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
 Shelly Brown



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Lsbrown65@comcast.net by
Monday, December 26! Thanks!!!

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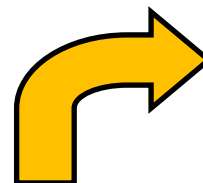
December 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Happy Birthday Ralph Harding (2) Georgi Jackson (2)	2 Lions Hybrid Meeting 12 PM Board Meeting 1:00 PM	3 Walk N Knock
4	5 Happy Birthday Eva Halter	6 Clark Co. Hearing 6 PM Clark County Sight 6:30 PM (Zoom)	7	8	9	10 Salvation Army Bell Ringing
11	12	13	14 WA Elem Santa Store	15	16 Lions Christmas Dinner 6:30 PM	17 Happy Birthday Lori Pulliam
18 Happy Birthday Jerry Jacobus	19	20	21 Share House	22	23	24
25 	26 Newsletter items due!!	27 Happy Birthday Stephen Enyeart Doug Wilson	28	29	30	31 Happy Birthday Pat Edwards

Dates in RED mark our regularly scheduled meeting:



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