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February 2023 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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FEBRUARY SPEAKERS
PROGRAM DIRECTOR
CHERI PERRY

February 3

Tod Thayer, Friends of the Carpenter

February 17
Our meeting on
February 17 will be a
tour at the Friends of
the Carpenter location:
1600 W. 20th Street
Noon
Bring a sack lunch!

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Queen Lion Cheri

LOVE IS IN THE AIR! February is the month of love. Lions are VERY familiar with LOVE- that is what it takes to SERVE the way we serve and give of ourselvesthe way we GIVE! I thought it might also be fun to take a look at several different types of love: 1- Eros is passionate love, and most akin to the modern construct of romantic love. In Greek myth, it is a form of madness brought about by one of Cupid's arrows.

2- Philia is the hallmark of friendship, and is shared good-will. Aristotle believed that a person can bear goodwill to another for one of three reasons: that he is useful; that he is pleasant; and above all, that he is good, that is, rational and virtuous.

3- Agape ["aga-pay"] is universal love, such as the love for strangers, nature, or God. It does not depend on filiation or familiarity. Also called charity by Christian thinkers, agape can be said to encompass the modern concept of altruism, as defined as unselfish concern for the welfare of others.

4- Philautia is self-love, which can be healthy or unhealthy. Unhealthy self-love is akin to hubris. In Ancient Greece, people could be accused of hubris if they placed themselves above the gods, or, like certain modern pol-



iticians, above the greater good. Healthy self-love, on the other hand, is akin to self-esteem, which is our cognitive and, above all, emotional appraisal of our own worth. More than that, it is the matrix through which we think, feel, and act, and reflects on our relation to ourselves, to others, and to the world.

Our Lions club is a great PICTURE of LOVE- caring for each other and caring for our community. This month, as you help Cupid with his job and wrap your arms around those you care forremember to take a long look in the mirror- and send a warm huge to someone this Lion Club loves VERY MUCH! THANK YOU for all you do!

Yours in Lionism, Queen Lion Cheri Perry



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President Cheri hosted the recent Game Night event and an evening of chuckles and strategies was enjoyed by several club members. There were many opportunities to challenge and engage those in attendance.

Yummy snacks were consumed and provided the extra energy that was needed for those needing strategies for balancing game pieces and correct spelling and extended vocabulary for SCRABBLE players.

The stiff competition playing CONNECT FOUR was a wonder to behold.

At the end of the evening, participants agreed that it was an amazing time of relaxation and a fun opportunity to share laughs and jibs with fellow service providers.

Looking forward to the next FUN NIGHT!!
Lion Helen Sutfin

FVLC Game Night

It's hard to believe that there are ANY games that any of our Fellow Lions have not seen or played over the years- but during our game night, it was FUN to see that there are still a few games that are in fact NEW! Game Night is also NEW to our club. Watching our members play games, have some friendly competition, enjoy a few snacks and just relax was a great way to spend a Friday evening. Designed to bring us together, Game Night happens one time per month. It is a great time to hang loose, learn a bit more about each other and reveal that bit of competitive nature that we all have. Check out our Lions event calendar for your next opportunity to have fun, get to know your Fellow Lions and WHO KNOWS- you might even learn a new game!

Lion Cheri Perry













EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING FOR LIONS OF SW WASHINGTON SATURDAY – FEB. 25 12:30 – 2:30

CRESA* office: 710 W 13 St. - Vancouver

Helen Sutfin: sutfin50@gmail.com

An opportunity to learn how to prepare yourself, family, neighbors and community, to be ready in the event of an emergency. This session is the first step in learning how we as LIONS can be prepared to assist our community. LIONS from SW Washington have reserved seats – only a few seats left.

Washington Elementary SANTA STORE Where do we go from here

As reported in the last newsletter, the Santa Store was held Dec. 15. Twenty-six volunteers (FVLC members, iTECH students and BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB counselors and community members) performed 176 hours of service.

The inventory has been packed away; volunteers have experienced 'good feelings' regarding the time spent helping students shop for family members.

During this year's initial planning, committee members agreed that it was time to take a close look at this historic project. The pandemic presented a challenge that affected the stores' operation.

The past 2 years, with the school closed, PZC Eva and her 'elves' were able to continue to send sacks of Christmas gifts home with students.

The left-over items were packed away and no inventory replacement took place. This year's inventory was limited.

In due diligence the Store Committee is reviewing the holiday experience at Washington Elementary.

What went well? What could be better? How do faculty members see the store? Do they have ideas for change? Volunteers – what thoughts do they have regarding the inventory, how was the shopping experience? Suggestions for the future.

Volunteers and faculty were asked to complete a survey, seeking their input and suggestions. The results of the responses are being tabulated. The committee will evaluate the results and make a report to the FVLC Board of Directors.

There is a strong desire that the club continue a special holiday experience at the school.

Lion Helen Sutfin Christmas Store Committee

Fort Vancouver Lions Club & Salvation Army Free Paper Shred Event



10:00am - 1:00pm Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 Mill Plain United Methodist Church

(15804 SE Mill Plain Blvd, Vancouver, WA)

Protect yourself or your business by shredding important documents that are no longer needed and free up valuable space in your home, business, or storage spaces.

Special Thank You To Our Event Sponsors!



All funding proceeds and food donations will benefit the Salvation Army & other local Charities in our community!

For more information about Fort Vancouver Lions Club, please visit: www.fortvancouverlions.org

Service Opportunities - Year Round

FISH Food Pantry - 906 Harney 360-947-2368

Contact: meganb@fishvancouver.org

Call before you go for details and times needed.

Nancy, Diane and Mike, all help at FISH on a regular basis.

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Washington Elementary - need "Readers". People who will read and be read to by 2nd and 3rd graders one-on-one. Once a week, Friday looks good.

About an hour. Contact: Elizabeth Owen <u>Elizabeth.Owen@vansd.org</u>

Eye Glass Pick-up

Are you willing to pick up used eyeglasses from various places around Vancouver? Pick up is usually every 4 - 6 weeks. Contact Ralph Harding or Nancy Brown

Do **YOU** have or know of someone that needs our help? Tell us about it. Just send their name, phone, address, and service need to anyone on the board. We will contact them and match our abilities to their needs.

Just Serve

Many opportunities around our area to serve in just about any capacity you are interested in. Some, even from home. Contact to get started: JustServe.org or Renee Rhyasen for more information.

Lions Care Lions Roar Lions Serve

Lion Martha Johnson - martha6290@comcast.net

Service Projects Chairs

I am writing this to remind the chairs of service projects of the importance of reporting your project to the club Secretary.

The information needed includes:

- Name of Project
- Dates of project
- A brief 2-3 sentence description of the project.
- If it was a fundraiser, how much money was earned. Was the money shared with another organization? If so, the name of that organization.
- How many volunteers worked the project? (Including planning time)
- How many volunteer hours were involved in the project? (Includes planning time, phone calling, etc.) Lion Shelly Brown,

FVLC Secretary

Membership Meeting Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Notes
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	Friends of the Carpenter 1600 W. 20th Street	
Friday, February 24	6:00—8:00 P.M.	TMC 9415 NE Fourth Plain Blvd.	
Phyllis Robertson, Program Chair			
Friday, March 3	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, March 3	1:00 P.M.	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	1:00 PM Board Meeting
Friday, March 17	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, March 24	6:00—8:00 P.M.	TMC 9415 NE Fourth Plain Blvd.	
Martha Johnson, Program Chair			
Friday, April 7	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, April 7	1:00 P.M.	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	1:00 PM Board Meeting
Friday, April 21	12:00 Noon	Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill	
Friday, April 28	TBD	Fourth Friday TBD	

3-Month Activity Calendar









Date	Activity	Comments	
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	
Fri.—Sun. Feb. 17-19	Ilani Brewfest	Dean Stenehjem, Chair	
Tuesday, February 21	President's Council Meeting	Zoom	
Saturday, February 25	CRESA Training	Helen Sutfin, Chair	
March			
Tuesday, March 7	Sight Committee Meeting	Zoom	
Tuesday, March 7	Hearing Committee Meeting		
Wednesday, March 15	Share House 11:00-2:00	Nancy Brown, Chair	
Tuesday, March 21	President's Council Meeting	Zoom	
April			
Tuesday, April 4	Sight Committee Meeting	Zoom	
Tuesday, April 4	Hearing Committee Meeting		
Tuesday, April 18	President's Council Meeting	Zoom	
Wednesday, April 19	Share House 11:00-2:00	Nancy Brown, Chair	
Saturday, April 22	Shredding Event 10:00-1:00 Allen Rhyasen,		



Fort Vancouver Lions Club & Foundation Board Meeting Friday, December 2, 2022 1:10 p.m. Fiesta Bonita Mexican Grill & Zoom in the time of COVID-19

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

Board Members Present: Queen Lion Cheri, Martha Johnson, Rick Giles, Michele Druschel, John Lyons, Mike Cavanaugh, David Rich and Shelly Brown.

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

Standard Reports to the Board:

Secretary's Report: Lion David made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the November 4, 2022 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Lion Rick. The Board approved the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Due to being locked out of QuickBooks, Lion Rick was unable to provide a financial report this month. He will have a report for the January Board meeting. The club will be moving to Quicken from QuickBooks, based on the cost of QuickBooks. Lion Rick will give the backup files to Cheri in order to keep access to current records.

OLD BUSINESS:

Game Night: Lion Martha suggested we have a game night on January 27. Lion Cheri will plan an event for that evening at TMC.

Santa Store: Lion Martha reported that she has all the volunteer spots filled. She will let Cheri know if any needs/questions arise.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing: Lion Cheri said that most of the spots have been filled. She will be sending an email that can be sent to club members, including the times that people have signed up for.

Walk and Knock: Many club members have signed up to help with this event tomorrow! Yea! **Christmas Party:** Lion Martha is working on the last of the details for the party. Lion Cheri offered to help if Martha needs it.

Roster: We discussed the need for an updated roster. Lion Cheri will check to find the current file. Lion Rick will be helping with that process.

NEW BUSINESS

MD19 Voting: We have 6 delegates for voting for officers for the new district. Our delegates are: Martha, John, Michele, David, Mike, and Cheri. They will vote before 5:00 p.m. on December 3, 2022.

Melvin Jones Nominations: Lion David said that we have over \$6000 to choose Melvin Jones fellows. The Board agreed to choose three Melvin Jones fellows. We currently have 25 MJ Fellows. Lion David will be sending an email to the current MJ Fellows asking for nominations.

Amazon Smile Club Sign Up Initiative: Lion Cheri said that she would be willing to lead a calling campaign to help members sign up for Amazon Smile. Lion Rick will create a step-by-step guide and send to Lion Cheri and Lion Shelly.

CRESA Emergency Response Training: There were about 8 hands raised at the regular meeting of people who are interested in participating in this training. At the regular meeting, Lion Helen invited all members to participate in the Zoom Lions Council meeting on January 17 to learn more about this training.

FVLC Sunshine Committee: Lion Martha said that she has given out cards for members to send to others. She also gave out cookies at the last regular meeting and will have cookie treats for all who attend the Christmas dinner on the 16th.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be January 6, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Shelly Brown

ZONE MEETING via ZOOM January 17, 2023

Clubs Represented: Hazel Dell, Fort Vancouver, Salmon Creek, Vancouver, Battle Ground, Ridgefield, Penin-

sula, Camas, Puyallup Valley

Attendees: Guest Speaker Jodi Blakewood, PZC Helen Sutfin, HD President Ryan Morrison, HD Secretary Kathy Morrison, SC Secretary Doug Ballou, Z-6 Zone Chair Casey O'Dell, 19G DG Debbie Mansell, PDG Terry Sutfin, PDG Mark Mansell, RF President Don Shose, FV Secretary Shelly Brown, V President Mary Peck, SC President Sam Gunn, BG Secretary Shelley Staudinger, FV President Cheri Perry, 19C 1st VDG Lisa Ikeda, PDG J. D. Nellor Meeting Facilitator PZC Helen Sutfin called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

PZC Helen Sutfin introduced guest speaker Jodi Blackwood, Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency

(CRESA) Volunteer Manager Coordinator.

The first CRESA training session will be Saturday, February 25 from 12:30pm until 3:30pm at CRESA head-quarters. Check emails for sign-up information.

CRESA handles 911 dispatches, sends out emergency alerts, organizes and supervises search and rescue operations, provides public education on emergency preparedness, works with ham radio in the event that regular communications lines are inoperable, supports the community during a national disaster.

There are 1,000 CRESA volunteers in Clark County. They look for missing people, help in evidence recovery,

assist medical staff, do license plate patrols, and help with events at parks.

The meeting on February 25 will include a conversation as to what Lions would like to do. The emergency readiness program will be explained in detail. Following the initial meeting there will be an "I M Reddy" class. It will be a full day training. It will include hands-on CPR, building a personal emergency readiness kit, psychology of trauma and how to cope, and mental preparedness for emergency situations.

Starting in late March there will be a 25 hour training including how to use a fire extinguisher, search and rescue practices, EMT assistance, how to prepare for and get through a disaster, and how to help family and

neighbors during a disaster.

At any time there are 100 emergency responders on alert to help the 500,000 people in Clark County during an emergency.

The #1 emergency in this area is probably wildfire. Other possible emergencies may deal with tornados, flooding, snowstorms, heavy rain, power outages, volcanoes, and heavy traffic. The Nakia Creek fire in October was the first time an evacuation was called for.

PZC Helen will send out the email registration form. (Update – she has sent it. Pass it on to others who are interested. Participants do not have to be Lions; they do have to be at least 18 years old.)

DG Debbie said the membership goal for the 2022-2023 Lion year for District G is +20

members. As of the end of December we have lost members. GMC PDG Mark M. reminded everyone of the many learning opportunities offered online by LCI.

Ridgefield President Don reported that COVID actually brought new members into the

Ridgefield Lions Club. They couple a membership drive with a club special event. They are always at community events. They work hard but are planning to have more fun – maybe recognize club members in a fun fashion.

Salmon Creek has added three members in the last two months. It's important to get prospects involved in the club. It's important to have fun. Speakers keep the meetings interesting. Their membership plan includes keeping a log of prospective members and reaching out to those prospects to find out what their interests are.

Vancouver has several new members. The basis is finding out what people like to do.

Battle Ground reported that fun and friendship are important. And don't do too many funky old Lion things. Peninsula has been following Stephanie's program suggestions. Make sure your club is ready for new members. What can Lions do for you? They have promoted Lions on Facebook.

Camas partners with other organizations. Puyallup Valley is slowly growing.

DG Debbie announced that Allan Snider will be the guest speaker at the Spring Conference. There will be a Leader Dog presentation. Spring Conference will be May 12-13 at the Heathman. Get your Superhero gear out!

Ridgefield is working the ilani Brewfest February 17, 18,19. Sign-up forms have been sent to club secretaries to be passed on to club members. This is a great opportunity to earn funds for your club.

Fort Vancouver president Cheri Perry has volunteered to facilitate the February 21 Zone Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:05pm.

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



Message from your CA1 Leaders





Greetings and happy New Year to our amazing LCIF Lions family!!!

PID Anne Smarsh

PID Bruce Beck

We hope all of you were able to spend quality time with family and friends and enjoyed working on special holiday projects with your clubs.

We are so pleased with our CA1 Progress. Areas A and H are leading the charge toward goal achievement! Everyone is off to a great start and continually gaining momentum as we progress into the second half of the Lion year! Thank You! For many, our convention season is just beginning! Remember, engaging with our clubs to attain 100% annual support is critical to our overall success! Our Legacy program exceeds \$200K. We expect to see the total number of Legacy gifts increase as you promote the program and as more Lions learn about their LCIF investment options.

We are honored to support you along with LCIF's team of regional specialists and other staff members. Together we can achieve our goals! Keep telling your LCIF stories to help motivate other Lions and build engagement!

Happy New Year 2023, Lions Anne and Bruce



- ✓ The month of December closed last week. Everyone should have received LCIF's Monthly Blast Reports, including the TFR (Total Funds Raised) Report. This now includes your annual goals and will replace the Monthly Report Card. If you would still like to see the Report Card, email your Regional Specialist.
- ✓ Visit the LCIF Donations Dashboard in MyLCI to review club-level Lion Year Gifts.
 MyLCI > Insights > Donations > Open "U.S. and Affiliates, Bermuda and Bahamas" and scroll down to your district's club level detail.



"A true leader always leads by example, by demonstrating to others how the work is done." – Nihar Satpathy

Message from your CA1 Trustee, Jenny Ware

Happy New Year! Exciting things happened at the Board of Trustees meeting! Some highlights: The BOT awarded nearly \$1 million in grants for CA1! Disney partnered with LCIF and 20 other organizations to promote the Choose Kindness Project. Promos of this project will air on ABC and ESPN. This partnership will enable us to expand Lions Quest program in Baton Rouge, LA and in over 500 schools! LCIF's Marketing Department is

working hard to update the website to make it more Lions-friendly with a greater focus on PR materials for Lions, Clubs, Districts, etc. These changes are in response to surveys completed by Lions around the world! As we have learned from past LCIF Campaigns, donations decrease shortly after the end of the campaign. Lions, you are doing an excellent job to maintain momentum! Keep up the great work and thank you!





District/MD	LCIF Grant Name	Grant	Beneficiaries	Approved Amount
District 13 OH2	Purchase Kitchen Equipment	Hunger	220	\$60,029
District 2 E2	All Inclusive Playground	Matching	3,000	\$50,000
District 2 T3	Equip Food Bank Mobile Pantry	Hunger	200,000	\$100,000
District 2 X1	Construct Beds for Texas Lions Camp	Matching	175	\$21,875
District 20 Y	Purchase Cameras for Diabetic Screening	Matching	1,000	\$15,000
District 26 M5	Purchase KidSight Vision Screening Equipment	Matching	15,000	\$48,291
District 33 S	Build Community Pantry	Hunger	30,000	\$100,000
District 34 C	Equip Eye Research Institute	Matching	60,000	\$46,737
District 36 O	Renovate Hull Foundation Kitchen and Pool	Matching	150	\$51,880
District 37	Equip Gallatin Valley Food Bank	Hunger	11,000	\$93,856
District 4 L5	Purchase Vision Screeing Equipment	Matching	15,000	\$23,904
District 42	Secure Vehicle for Hope's Harvest	Hunger	2,000	\$47,995
District 5M 11	Renovate Goodridge Playground	Matching	500	\$100,000
District 5M 8	Sartell Lions Inclusive Playground	Matching	500	\$100,000
Multiple District 12	KidsSight Vision Screening Equipment	Matching	8,000	\$49,910
				\$909,477

CA1 Spring Webinar Series Coming Soon! Mark your calendars for the following webinars:

- Convention Prep + Presenting the Planned Giving Program: Wednesday, Feb 15th @ 6pm CST REGISTER HERE!
- > CA1 Marketing Portal Review: Wednesday, Feb 22nd @ 6pm CST
- Virtual & In-Person Fundraising Ideas: Wednesday, March 1st @ 6pm CST
- Club Coordinator Training Review: Wednesday, March 8th @ 6pm CST

Other dates to consider:

- Courtesy Week: Fourth week of January
- International Childhood Cancer Day: February 15th
- Random Acts of Kindness Day: February 17th

es Photo Contest in CA1 for

Congratulations to PID Billy Blankenship who won the Melvin Jones Photo Contest in CA1 for Playing Santa to Support LCIF!









More LCIF Emails

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February 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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12	13	14	15 Share House	16	17 Lions Tour @ Friends of the Carpenter Noon	18
19 Happy Birthday Pati Sluys	20	President's Council 6:30 PM	22 Happy Birthday Martha Johnson	23	24 Fourth Friday Games	Newsletter items due!!
26	27	28				

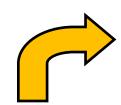


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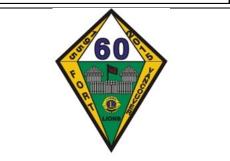
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