



We Serve



JUNE 2025

DG John Hand - "Opening New Doors"

It is hard to believe my year serving at 39W District Governor is quickly coming to an end. Spending time with most of the clubs in the district has been the most rewarding experience—thank you all who have welcomed members of the cabinet and me into your clubs!

I also want to thank all of the 175+ NEW Lions who have joined our ranks this year—we are thankful for your spirit, energy and new ideas!

I would like to ask two final favors of our clubs.

FIRST, will all officers ensure your club rosters are updated this month and you record your club service activities.

SECOND, and more importantly, please consider stepping into your club, district or multi-district leadership. Lions International needs you and our communities need you.

Incoming DGE, Peggy Hess, also needs all of the support we can muster. Let's help Peggy and her cabinet make 2025-2026 a fantastic year for District 39W.

Thank you, John.
(208) 869-8007



DGE Peggy Hess

Hey Lions!!! 39W is awesome!!

New members and new clubs! Keep up the great work. I am still looking for a Zone Chair for Zone 2 which is Gooding, Twin Falls, and Wood River. I need someone who would help me try to fire up the Wood River club. Let me know if you can help.

This year is the **100th Anniversary of Helen Keller's speech at lions' convention** in 1925. The beginning of our work with sight.

Insurance and Safety. LCI insures us with most of our activities. Get on the portal and make sure you understand what is insured. On the site there is a safety check list and all activities need a safety officer to do the checking.

June 27th brings the **1.5 Summit** that 3 of us will be attending and bringing back tons of information to share. Just as this year with DG John, we will be working on membership. The more members we have the more service we can do.

July 1 brings in a new adventure for myself and my cabinet. LCI Con is July 12th, late this year due to the move of venues.

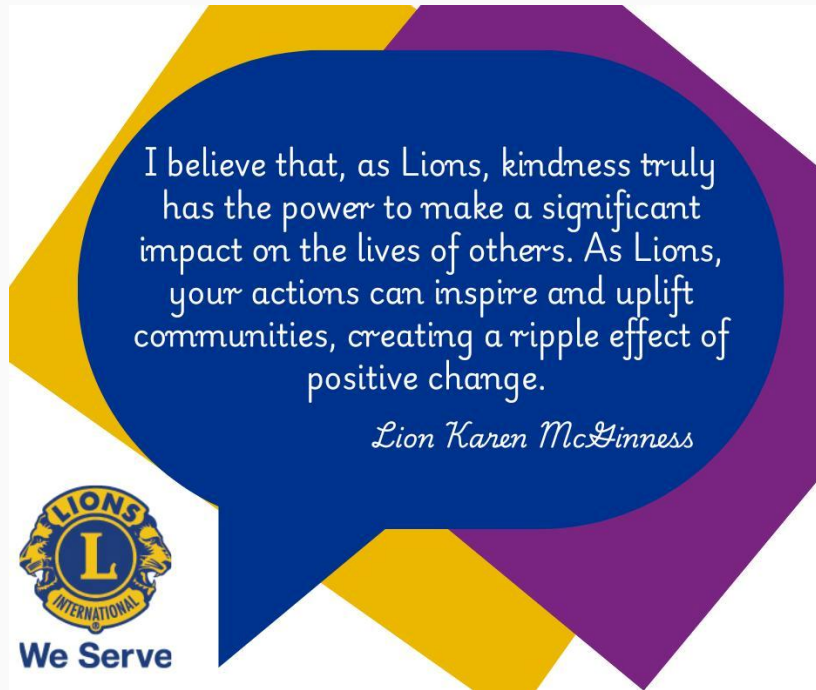
My goals for the coming year is, "FEED THE NEED." Where there is a need, there is a lion.

- **Goal 1: Membership.**
- **Goal 2:** I am hoping that all of our club officers will **get into the portal and go to the Learn for their office.** Great information for all members.
- **Goal 3:** That all clubs will **report their service** projects and hours on the portal. This is where the statistics come from about how much help Lions give.
- **Goal 4: Every Club in 39 W will do at least 1 hunger related service.** Hunger Week is January 3-11, 2026. And last but not least,
- **Goal 5: LCIF** = Individual members and clubs contributing to LCIF. Knowledge about what LCIF does and who they help.

We have a **new mission starting this year, Mental Health and well-being.** This will be rolled out October 4-12, 2025 to align with World Mental Health Day on October 10th. LCI is focusing on Hunger January 3-11, 2026. My club does their food drive when the local stores are having their case food sales. Environment week is April 18-26 to coincide with Earth Day on April 22. With all of this, I also want to encourage all our clubs to help with vision, diabetes, childhood cancer, and disaster relief as in years past. Don't forget the camps, Hodia and Camp Rainbow Gold. Hurricane season has already started and our fellow Lions need our help and support.

Peggy Hess





MD39 News - CC Betty

Multiple District 39, Council Chair, Betty Simpson, was excited to be able to announce the approval of a LCIF Vision Grant in the amount of \$74,535 to expand and equip Envision. ROAR! This grant application was submitted by MD39 prior to the February 1, 2025, deadline to be reviewed at the LCIF trustees meeting beginning May 1, 2025. A special thank you also goes to PCC Jay Lugo for his work on the application. The LCIF Vision Grant is a matching grant and we are pleased that our amazing Lions and Lions Clubs have already helped raise the match amount! We encourage our MD 39 Lions to share this exciting news and help spread the word that our Multiple District 39 does indeed, benefit from donations we make to LCIF!

Be sure to read the Multiple District 39 newsletter coming out later this month for more information and photos from our MD39 Convention held in May, additional MD39 news, and MD39 LCIF news!

Thank you, to Lion Rick Shurtleff, LCIF 39W District Coordinator, whose three year term ends on June 30. We wish you the best as you continue with other Lion service.

Thank you, for being such AMAZING Lions!
My Fond Regards,
Lion CC Betty
MD 39



LCIF display table at the MD39 Convention at Sun Valley.

TRAINING

Guiding Lion training on June 10th and June 17th. 7:00 pm. over zoom. You will need to attend both sessions. There is a quiz that we will answer as we cover the information. This is a great way to learn more about Lions and help a new club or strengthen your own club.

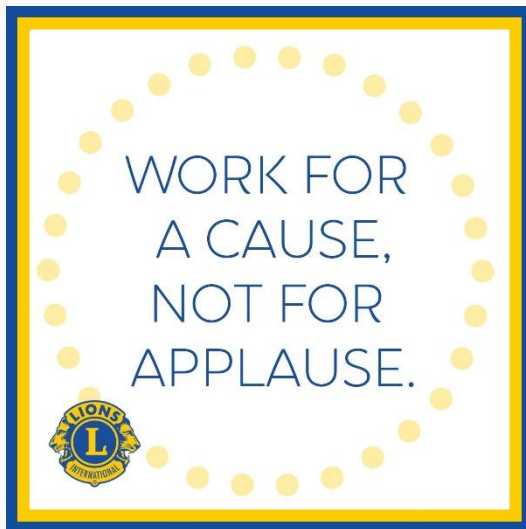
Please feel free to pass this along to the members of your club.

This is the link for both sessions.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81396604767?pwd=b3O7LkWSQhcraMfmU90nboO3A74mS7.1>

Meeting ID: 813 9660 4767
Passcode: LIONS

Thanks for joining.
Joyce Saunders
MD39 GLT



NEWSLETTER INFO

Greetings, 39W Lions!

Have you recently completed an exciting project or have an event on the horizon? We want to hear about it! Submit your details, and we'll feature it in our upcoming Newsletter. Enhance your story with a couple of photos for greater impact.

Please provide articles as Word documents or similar text files. Keep your submissions brief and limit photos to two per article. The deadline for newsletter submissions is the first Wednesday of each month.

*Ensure you have consent from a parent or guardian for any photos featuring children.

For club members not receiving the newsletter who wish to subscribe, direct them to email our team at 39WLionsnews@gmail.com.

Warm regards,
Lions Billie Wood and Rose Jensen
Payette Syringa Lions Club

We're thrilled to announce our 2025 Ford Bronco Giveaway! Starting TODAY, you can purchase a raffle ticket for just \$100 for your chance to win this brand new car! Time is limited, so don't wait! Head to the link in our bio to grab yours now!

here is a link to purchase raffle tickets

<https://www.envisionsight.org/bronco-giveaway>



CLUB NEWS

Save the Date

June 10th	Guiding Lion training
June 20th	Article deadline for the FY's final MD39 newsletter
June 26th - 27th	Treasure Valley Rodeo in Meridian
July 4th	Homedale Derby
July 19th	Emmett Lions Show & Shine car show

TWIN FALLS LIONS

The twin Falls lions participated in the Twin Falls Western Days Parade by having a float. The theme was “Plows to Cows” and of course we had to bring out the cow truck, driven by our own Lion Floyd Miller and his wife Julia. Also in tow was our mascot dog Bender Bridges, he is a fan favorite. He usually dresses up as a lion but this time he chose to represent the cowboys in western wear. We were on the hunt for new lions by handing out cow printed rubber ducks and highland cow keychains with lions information to join.



BOISE BENCH LIONS

Boise Bench Lions Club Empowers Community Through Vision Screenings, Cancer Walk Support, and Meal Service

BOISE, ID – May 2025 – In a powerful display of community service and collaboration, the Boise Bench Lions Club recently engaged in a series of impactful volunteer efforts, reaching children and families across the Treasure Valley.

On **May 2nd**, four dedicated Lions members—alongside Nancy from Envision—conducted **vision and hearing screenings** at Sage International School for incoming kindergarteners. A total of **59 children were screened for vision and 54 for hearing**, ensuring these young learners can start school with the support they need. School Nurse Natalie extended heartfelt thanks for the Lions' continued commitment to youth wellness.

As part of their ongoing tradition, Lions volunteers proudly served once again as **crossing guards for the annual Flock Cancer Walk**, marking at least their fourth year ensuring participants' safety and supporting cancer awareness.

Several members also volunteered to work on landscaping at Zoo Boise and of course checked out the Lions too.

Further extending their reach, Lions **Frank, Dennis, and Lynne**, joined by community friends Adam and Andrea, prepared and served a warm, nourishing dinner at **Interfaith Sanctuary**. Guests especially enjoyed the **fresh broccoli** and signature **brownies**, with the Frison family generously donating **57 dozen cookies and brownies** for the event.

The Club's care for families continued at the **Ronald McDonald House**, where Lions **Cindy, Helmi, Jan S, Sharon L, Suzanne, LaDawn, Jackie, and Susan** prepared a hearty lunch featuring **chicken and rice casseroles, salad, bread, and Cowboy cookies**. Volunteers appreciated the new dining setup that enhances the meal experience for all guests, with warming pans and easy access to serve late arrivals.

Curt Kelley
Boise Bench Lions
www.boisebenchlions.org
208 859 3642



WEISER LIONS

Weiser Lions have been out and about in their community and Multiple District 39! ROAR! Club President Linda and Council Chair Betty attended the MD39 Convention held at Sun Valley. A \$500, club donation for Envision was made during the Parade of Checks.

During the same weekend, Lions Debbie, Sheila, Karen, Juanita, and Steve manned a club informational table during the community's Volunteer Day. Soon after, Lions Linda, Debbie, and Steve manned another club informational table at the community Health Fair. Membership applications were available with five individuals taking them.

Members sold concessions at the home, high school baseball games. After the season, the club held a taco bar with meeting, followed by a thorough cleaning of the concession stand.

Lions have volunteered to help take tickets during the National Old time Fiddle Contest held in June. On July 1, the club will hold their annual Awards/Installation of Officers potluck. Club business meetings will only be held once a month during June and July. The regular, meeting schedule resumes in August.



Weiser Memorial Hospital's Community Health Fair



LOR Foundation's community, Volunteer Day

RUPERT LIONS

We delivered almost 400 pounds of pop tabs to Ronald McDonald House and celebrated 4 winning elementary school classes that contributed the most with ice cream parties.

We hosted Lion Chuck Malloy at the club to talk about Diabetes.

Jess and Peggy hauled the pop tabs to Ronald McDonald House and 547 pairs of glasses to Envision.

VALLEY MOUNTAIN

Our VALLEY MOUNTAIN CLUB had two winners in the annual MD39 Patriotism Essay contest...
A third grade first place and a fourth grade third placeboth from the Rolling Hills Charter Public School.

Our club is looking at organizing this fall a **KID's VOICE** competition here in the Treasure Valley.....
We have so many talented youths in our **VALLEY** that we would like to give them an opportunity to showcase themselves and reach their potential....
This will also be a fundraiser for scholarships....

FYI .. It is said that music is the International language. It is one of our Club's goals to provide a platform for our youth to express their talents ... Regardless of ability...
39W Lions clubs might want to sponsor some participants... We will gladly welcome them...
Contact Gary for more information or volunteering....

The Valley Mountain Cyber Lions Club is asking for saleable book and puzzle donations for our BOOK SALE. It is a fundraiser for scholarship for college and vocational bound students... The date of the sale is contingent on the number of items we collect...
Also, we are looking for athletic and professional sweaters, tee shirts, caps etc. that are saleable as we will also have them at our sale as well...
Our club's main theme is **OUR YOUTH... OUR FUTURE**... As we are emphasizing YOUTH.... More than ever, they need LION role models and mentors...
IF NOT LIONS WHO??... IF NOT NOW WHEN????
Greatly appreciate your support...
IN THE SPIRIT OF LIONISM....

Contact PID Gary B. D'Orazio aka President of the VALLEY MOUNTAIN LIONS CYBER CLUB at:
208-841-5778 gogaryd59@hotmail.com

TREASURE VALLEY LIONS



Exciting Announcement!

We will be celebrating our 36th Anniversary in the heart of Meridian Idaho. Come on out and enjoy all of the fun and excitement of this rodeo!

The Treasure Valley Rodeo will be held on June 27th - 28th, 2025 in Meridian, Idaho. This rodeo is held at Treasure Valley Lions Club Rodeo Grounds.

Visit treasurevalleyrodeo.org for tickets!

CALDWELL LIONS

Jason Billester of the Boise Rescue Mission shared all of the services the Mission offers our area. They are changing a lot of people's lives. We are thankful and proud to give them a little help.



The details provided above were sourced from the [Lions District 39W Share and Discuss](#) Facebook page.

NAMPA LIONS



For the last 58 years City of Nampa has hosted Parade America, a family-friendly event memorializing patriotism and our Military Service Members! Heritage, history, and respect for those who came before us to make this country what it is today is celebrated with parade floats, horses, marching bands, antique cars, and a military flyover. The Nampa Lions were honored to participate in the 2025 Parade America on Saturday, May 17th alongside many of our Leos. It was rejuvenating to celebrate this day with the young boys and girls who represent our nations future, and we had an amazing time!

Lion [Randy](#) led our charge in his truck loaded up with banners and an entourage of 14 Nampa Lone Star Middle School Leos along with Lions/Leo Advisors [Jennifer](#) and [Sandra](#) while Lion [John](#) wore the Lion

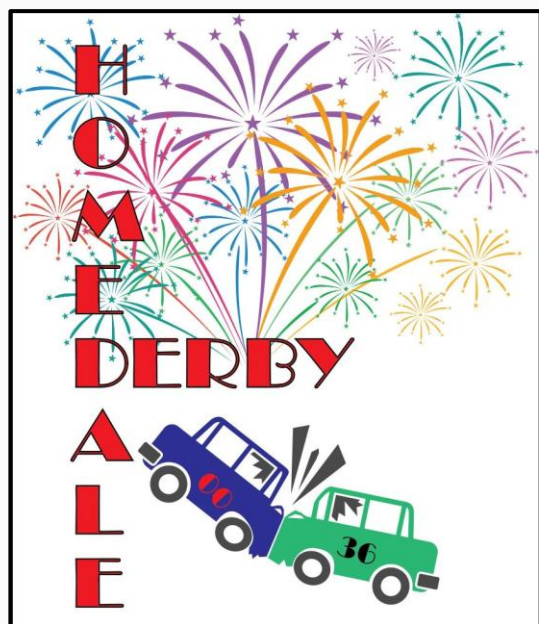
The details provided above were sourced from the Nampa Lions Club Facebook page.

EMMETT LIONS



VALE LIONS

Lions Amanda and Abby proudly presented a check to Jim Mendiola and Topper Schlupe, of the Vale Rodeo Board, to assist with the costs of replacing the wood bleachers at the rodeo grounds with new, splinter-free seating. Don't forget to come and get some rodeo action this July!!!



44th Annual Homedale Lions Demolition Derby

Fri, Jul 4th, 2025, 5:30 - 10:30 PM MDT

Owyhee County Fair, Homedale, ID

[Click to Buy Tickets](#)

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