

DG John Hand - "Opening New Doors"

Last week I had the chance to visit the Magic Valley twice for Declo and Valley charter parties. Thank you to both clubs for a really great time—and for the lessons!

It is easy to talk about the 30 clubs in our District 39W...each club is unique, each has its own personality, and serves its own community's needs. The great lesson from Declo, Valley and their enthusiast Rupert and Twin Falls is how developing relationships between Lions clubs can make a real difference.



My new math? 1 + 1 = 3. In other words, two clubs working together frequently achieve better results: More perspective, more ideas, more energy.

One item on the 2024-25 District action plan is to develop ways to help clubs work together. What I experienced in Declo and Eden this week underscored how many incredible people compromise our nearly 900 Lions in 39W. Watching attendees from across the four clubs was inspirational—and informative and real fun. Again, thank you!!

Look soon for new tools and programs to help your club not have to "reinvent the wheel". We are working with next year's District Governor, Peggy Hess, and others to leverage the work of other Lions and put it to work in your club.

Thank you, John. (208) 869-8007









DGE Peggy Hess

WOW!!! What a training in St. Charles, Illinois. The Q Center, near Chicago, is an awesome place to hold a large event. 800+ DGE's or 1st Vice DG's from 90 countries, it was so much fun trying visit with them and they gave us a passport to talk to at least one person from each country. Our partners were from Italy and sharing ideas with them was very interesting.

If an organization doesn't grow, it dies. That is why the press is on for members. 1.5 is still a Goal, but A.P. Singh says that is just a number, a goal. We need to grow. We all lead to serve and serve to lead. When we join Lions International, we promise to serve. The more of us there are, the more service we can give. We need to tell our stories so people know who we are and what we do. We must remember that, what is seen sells and helps us get more members. We need to collaborate with other clubs to get more done. Service is our soul and members are the body. We must keep our body strong to do the service we strive to do. Let's keep growing and serving.



With all of the natural disasters in the last few years, the push is for support to LCIF. Lions build a bridge between despair and hope. Hope transcends boarders. When we donate locally or personally our community, club or individual become part of the world. LCIF paid for 9.7 million cataract surgeries and \$116 million for disaster relief. If the grant is an emergency, you get \$15,000.00 to start and then another \$15,000.00 for recovery. Many members say they only want to support LCIF if it is kept locally. We are part of a worldwide team that helps those in need. This is a way to show our love for other Lions and the world.

Some of the ideas exchanged were: Community clean up one street at a time; course on finances; Cases of Kindness – glass cases filled for the homeless or a first aid kit; Mobility carts used worldwide (Mobility Worldwide); Christmas for youth in a lock up facility; make a playground all inclusive; Sleep in Heavenly Peace; January is hunger month; October is Mental Health month; Environment on Earth Day; Service Tourism – as you travel, find the Lions clubs and see if they are doing a project you can help with while you are in the area; Auction off a Cowboy; sell kids cowboy hats and bandanas; Award students for community service; and many more.





Our leader for 2025-2026 A.P. Sing, An awesome gentleman with great ideas.



Group Leader: Debbie Mansell



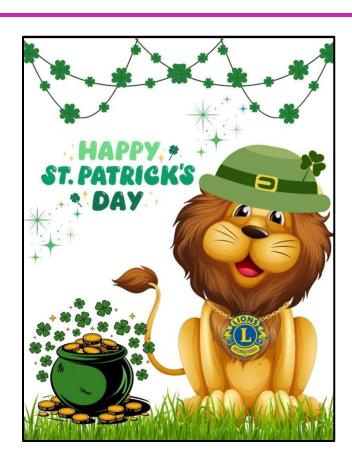
Some of our friends from Italy:



One of Multiple panels



Melvin Jones original desk at International Headquarters







MD 39 CONVENTION NEWS!!



Hi, 39W Lions!

Both the Multiple District 39 (MD 39) Convention registration form and the first, convention "sneak peek" have been emailed to all MD club Presidents and secretaries to share with their club members. You will also find them in this newsletter for your convenience.

Our convention committee began meeting in September to make plans. We hope you will enjoy some of the changes/new ideas made. There will be more convention details going out in the MD 39 newsletter later this month as well an informative email sent to club Presidents and secretaries to share on April 1. If you do not receive these please, let either myself (CC Betty) or our MD secretary, Jennifer Weeks, know.

A huge "THANK YOU" goes to the Lions on the convention committee! Another special "THANK YOU" goes to our sponsors. You will find a complete, sponsorship list in the convention program at Sun Valley.

Here are a few, friendly, convention "sneak peek" hints:

- Plan to book your hotel room as soon as possible to receive the special Lions rate.
- Friday night features music, Hors d' Oeuvres, Paint 'n Sip/other activities-

casual attire to fit the theme for that evening (Friday's theme: "Yeehaw, it's Harvest Time!") Think overalls, jeans, casual/comfortable shirts. Please, do <u>NOT</u> feel you need to purchase anything special to wear. Your presence is the important thing!

Leos are invited to attend and will need to send in the registration form. Leos will intermingle with Lions during some of the convention. At other times, they will have separate, Leo-related breakout sessions. Any Lion Club that sponsors a Leo Club(s) should make certain any Leo Club advisor has a copy of the registration form & information.

*The Burley Lions Club has made a generous donation to sponsor the registration (including meals) for 23 Leos. Thank you! *

Please, read the "sneak peek" MD convention page to find out about the club raffle basket change.

Reminder: Clubs participating in the MD Patriotism Essay Contest are encouraged to please, check the contest guideline dates.

Thank you, for all the amazing service you do!
My Warm Regards,
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C/T 1-208-550-0691



MD 39 Convention "Planting & Harvesting the Seeds of Lionism" Council Chair Betty Simpson May 2-3, 2025 Sun Valley Inn Sun Valley, ID



LION/LEO:		LION/LEO/GUEST:	
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EMAIL:		PHONE:	
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EVENT	COST	NUMBER	TOTAL
Paint n Sip	\$25		
Friday Evening	\$15		
Leo Friday Evening*	\$0		
Saturday Registration & Breakfast	\$35		
Saturday Lunch	\$40		
Leo Saturday Registration & Lunch*	\$0		
Saturday Evening	\$80		
Leo Saturday Evening*	\$0		
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After April 14			
Paint n Sip	\$30		
Friday Evening	\$20		
Saturday Registration & Breakfast	\$40		
Saturday Lunch	\$45		-
Saturday Evening	\$85		
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Friday Night - Hors d'oeuvres			
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Make checks payable and send registration forms to: Lions Multiple District 39 c/o Jennifer Weeks PO Box 615

Hello Lions.

We look forward to seeing you at our 2025 MD 39 Lions Convention, "Planting and Harvesting the Seeds of Lionism" in Sun Valley Idaho May 2-3. The committee has been working hard since September to bring you what we hope will be a memorable weekend. You will receive more exciting detailed information in April.



HOTEL RESERVATIONS Sun Valley Inn, 1 Sun Valley Rd, Sun Valley, ID 83353; 800-786-8259
Ask for the "Idaho Lions Convention" discount. Early Registration \$195 plus taxes and fees; Late
Registration will be normal room rate (subject to change due to availability)



Friday Night-Yee Haw, It's Harvest Time

Come enjoy a relaxing night of Paint n Sip before the festivities begin. Gather with fellow Lions as we are guided through step by step how to paint this marvelous Lion relaxing in a field of flowers while enjoying a beverage from the no-host bar. No experience necessary.

Raffle/Silent Auctio

We have decided to do things a little bit different this year. We are asking clubs to bring one or two items they would like to be part of the raffle prizes instead of raffle baskets. We will gather the items on Friday night and make them into 4 or 5 larger raffle baskets.







PID Ron Keller and Lion Kitty Keller

Ron Keller from Millersport, Ohio, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 104th International Convention, June 24 through June 28, 2022. He served on the Lions Membership Development committee for two years, and was Chairperson for one year.

Director Keller has more than 35 years experience as a government administrator and event coordinator. He is currently retired. He last served as Cultural Arts and Events Manager for the City of Columbus where he managed city staff, drafted city legislation, oversaw purchasing of equipment and supplies for events, and served as a liaison to civic and community leaders in Columbus' urban neighborhoods. One of his most notable projects was redesigning a public subsidy mechanism to make it easier for minority nonprofits to apply and receive city services within their neighborhoods.



MD 39 LIONS CONVENTION

May 2-3, 2025 Sun Valley Inn, Sun Valley, ID SPONSORSHIP FORM



Thank you for your interest in becoming a sponsor. MD 39 Lions Convention 2025 fund raising efforts rely on the generosity of sponsors to help provide elite education sessions, impactful service programs to take back to our Districts 39 E & W Lions Club communities. We are grateful for each prospective sponsor's passion toward our mission dedicated to impacting our Idaho and Eastern Oregon communities. Our

sponsorship to fit the unique needs of your company. SPONSORSHIP LEVEL OPPORTUNITIES

\$500 Ripening Sponsor	\$250 Flowering Sponsor
\$100 Bud Sponsor	\$50 Vegetative Sponsor
\$25 Seedling Sponsor	\$ Anonymous Donation

sponsorship opportunities are designed to help meet your marketing objectives. Each package includes customized support by the MD District 39 Lions Club Convention Committee, and the ability to tailor your

BUSINESS AND PAYMENT INFORMATION

Contact Name:	Phone	1
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

As an official Sponsor, I agree to pay MD 39 Convention committee the amount of my sponsorship. MD 39 Convention committee agrees to display sponsorship advertising at the MD 39 Convention on May 2-3, 2025, at Sun Valley Inn—Sun Valley, Idaho in compliance with sponsorship signage/ recognition deadline April 1, 2025. Please make checks payable to: Uons Multiple District 39 and send to Lions Multiple District 39, PO Box 615, Sux; ID 3869.



Multiple District 39 Convention

May 2-3, 2025

Sponsorship Opportunities



Ripening \$500

Name/Logo in program, goodie bag, table sponsor, company booth, Name/Logo on all future correspondence, 5 minute speak at event on Saturday



Flowering \$250

Name/Logo in program, goodie bag, table sponsor, company booth (Friday night/all day Saturday)



Bud \$100

Name/Logo in program, goodie bag, table sponsor



Vegetative \$50

Name/Logo in program, goodie bag (company item)



Seedling \$25

Name/Logo in program (every attendee receives one)

Lions,

We will be holding a memorial service at the MD39 Lions Convention, May 3, 2025. Please send me information about any Lions who pass away this year. We would like to honor all who may have been Lions prior to their passing, but not a current Lion. It would be great if you have a picture, or an obituary.

Please let us know: Name of Lion

Birth date and death date

Lions Club name

How many years a Lion

Offices held, passion, hobby

Please send this as soon as possible. Please send by April 29, 2025 to:

Joyce Saunders

Bobjoy17@msn.com

307-884-6262

713 Alpine Way #7285

Star Valley Ranch, WY 83127

39W DIABETES CHAIRMAN

I'd like to thank our district governor, Lion John Hand, for the opportunity to be your Diabetes chairman. Diabetes awareness is a passion of mine, because I have fought this "silent killer" for more than 25 years, with a considerable amount of success.

I am a member of the Meridian Lions Club, and have spoken to several clubs over the last two years. I would like to visit with all clubs in District 39W, sharing my story and talking about why diabetes is a priority issue with Lions International. The priority is well placed, given the Lions long commitment to vision care and with diabetes being a leading cause for blindness.

Please consider putting me on your meeting schedule. I would enjoy meeting you in person, and I think I have a message that you would appreciate hearing. The best way to reach me is by texting (208 830-7832) or by email (ctmalloy@outlook.com). I'd look forward to hearing from you.

5 BENEFITS OF BEING A LION 1. To have fun. 2. To be a part of something big, yet unique. 3. To have opportunities for personal growth 4. To be a part of a global and international organization 5. Because doing good feels good

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

CLUB NEWS

VALLEY MOUNTAIN LIONS CLUB

The VALLEY MOUNTAIN LIONS CLUB [new club!!!] WE are asking for donations of saleable books Fiction, nonfiction, kids books etc... [hard cover and paperbacks] athletic clothing ie...shirts, sweaters, hoodies with high school, college, professional team. We will sell them to raise money for student college scholarships or vocational trade school tuitionour motto 'OUR YOUTH ...OUT FUTURE...

You can drop them off at Envision and we will pick them up...Greatly appreciate your support....

We are hosting a ROAST OF THE PIDS.... PID FLOYD AND PID GARY

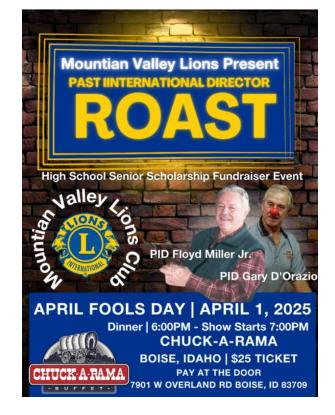
April 1st Tuesday [April fool's day???] It will be at the CHUCK -A-RAMA BUFFET RESTAURANT DINNER 6pm AND ROAST 7pm-9pm... Its located-on overland in Boise near the entertainment center... In front of Costco>>> THE COST IS \$25 PER PERSON....INCLUDED TAXES. BEVERAGE AND DESSERT [all you can eat so come hungry...!!] After researching the various potential venues [the average was \$50 PP] we decided on the CHUCK-ARAMA for price and no guarantees ...also they feature two salad bars [best in town] Two entree stations, choice of two soups & two dessert stations. Two beverage stations and coffee...again all inclusive in the price...SORRY [?] No alcohol available...

This is a SCHOLARSHIP FUND RAISER..

A FUN NIGHT With PID FLOYD AND PID GARY

Rules are no profanity nor politics...we have several well qualified and anxious presenters ready to ROAST...PCC DOUG BEEHLER WILL MCEE. And roast!!!

Many thanks...



FID Gary ...[F for former rather than P for past as that belongs in the Celebration of Life!!!!]
President of the VM Club....

CALDWELL LIONS



Caldwell Lions had a great February! We presented WITCO with a \$500 check to support their efforts in helping those differently abled community members find training and work. We were also able to provide those who receive Meals on Wheels in Caldwell with a Valentine's gift of candy hearts.

We finished another vision and hearing screening at Mosaics Public Charter school and will be completing 2 other schools in Caldwell and we will have screened all the Caldwell schools.

BURLEY LIONS

On March 1st we celebrated 86 years of a Burley Lions Club at Morey's Steakhouse! We had a great Charter Party and recognized new members and old members alike. Lion Luke Hansen was the recipient of the esteemed Melvin Jones Award for his exceptional service to the community and dedication to our club. We were privileged to hear from our Lions Multiple District 39-Southern Idaho and Eastern Oregon Council Chair Betty Simpson and Envision Director Jay Lugo as well. Our Club presented Mr. Lugo with a check for \$40,000 to go towards paying for a new, state of the art microscope for Idaho's Envision Clinic, supporting vision enhancement health care for Idahoans and beyond. We were thrilled that this Microscope will be given a plaque in honor of our own Lion and Retired Optometrist Jack Zarybnisky and his wife Mary Zarybnisky. Lion Kent Blau received Envision's prestigious Hallock-Wehmann Award and Lion Wesley Dalton received the Lion of the Year Award. Several other awards were given to various club members as well from our District Governor.

We also presented Dr. Brian Muir with our Club's Citizen of the Year award for his service to the Burley Community, especially surrounding the Historic Burley Theatre Restoration Project with the Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation. He was also able to present on the progress that has been made on the theater with ours and others' donations.

Club President Chris Schenk was able to share a 2024 Year in review that higlighting the \$150,000 in donations our club distributed in 2024, with most of that going right into our Burley Community. Thank you for supporting our Spudman Triathlon and enabling our charitable mission here at home and throughout the world. Grateful to be a part of this community for the last 86 years!





RUPERT LIONS

Rupert Lions: Our Food drive day is Saturday, March 15th. I do paperwork for the Open Hearts Pantry and we have gone from 300 boxes a month to over a 1,000. We pay for eye exams and glasses. 6 in the last month with 3 still in the works. Our Charter Party is Saturday, April 5th. Social hour at 6 PM and a dinner of Ribs and all the trimmings at 7 PM. We will be at the Minidoka County Senior Center located at 702 11th Street in Rupert, Idaho. \$20 per person. RSVP by March 26th to President Lion George 208-431-5640 or Lion Jess 208-670-0710.

We are also about to launch our Technology Recycle. We are working with Green Square. The shop at Minico High School built this wooden box to go into the police station and they are creating a bigger metal box for the Sheriff's station.

DGE Peggy



BOISE BENCH LIONS

What's occurring with the Boise Bench Lions in February???

Eleven Bench Lions helped bagging 3,400 lbs. of frozen pinto beans into 1,700 2lb. bags at the Idaho Foodbank. The club has been volunteering every month at the foodbank for ten years.

The club works with the Interfaith Sanctuary, providing dozens of cookies for dessert and volunteering to help prepare dinner every Wednesday. Chef Frank who prepares the meals with help from Bench Lions is also a member of the club. EyeGlass recycling, some of our newest members have been active in learning how to pack and ship the eyeglasses that the district does a fine job of collecting.

We had some great speakers last month including; Sara White is an ADA County Victim Witness Coordinator, Dr Terry Rich is an Ornithologist. He spoke about birds, birding, and bird conservation, Shawna is the education and marketing manager for the Boise city airport and Dr Corey DuPont of DuPont Wellness Mobile Physical Therapy comes to you for your appointment.

YouTube- We released our latest video The Boise Bench Lions and Ronald MacDonald House Charities, the link is https://youtu.be/Ul3tLbR7url

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





WEISER LIONS



Envision trustee/Foundation President, Lois Sutton, attended a recent Weiser Lions Club meeting and was a program speaker. We were also honored to have the Lions University-Doctorate Program Dean, PCC Deanna Shurtleff, as a guest. Plans were made to donate cookies as a service activity for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library's fundraiser to be held on March 15, in Weiser. Other meeting items discussed included spring service projects, an update on our sponsored Leo Club's projects, our Charter Party on March 19, and the MD 39 Convention to be held at Sun Valley in May.

PAYETTE SYRINGA LIONS

The Payette Syringa Lions just finished our Youth Breakfast. We were blessed to have the Senior Center donate 30 dozen eggs. Approximately 166 people attended our breakfast. It was great to see old acquaintances and new family members of friends. Everyone had a good time, and we sold many of our used books. Prior to that, two of our Lions delivered Valentine cards handmade by our Payette 3rd grade students to our local senior care centers. Now we have to start planning our next project, which is our annual tea. This year's theme is "April showers bring May flowers." It will be held on April 26th at 1:00 PM. Seating is restricted, so if you wish to attend, contact Lion Rose (Payettesyringalions@gmail.com).



At our second meeting in February, the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award was presented to Lion Barbara. Let's all congratulate Barbara on this wonderful achievement!

A big thank you to Lion Allycia she has set up our Facebook page to see what we are up to click on the link below

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61574011853257



DGE Peggy went to Declo's Charter party Saturday, March 1st. Here is some information about the charter party.

Two new members Jameson Schrenk and Kaydon Beard were inducted. Bret Garrard Lion received the Lion of the Year Award for all the hours he put in on their new fair corn booth when they only had 3 weeks to get it all done. Two lion honors.

DG John won the big raffle prize, album and player.





STAR LIONS

Star Lions Club is excited to announce that our annual "You've Been Flocked" fundraiser is back!

For a nominal donation, you can surprise your friends, family, neighbors with a flock of 10 pink flamingos that will mysteriously show up on their front lawn one evening, then disappear the next. The flock will arrive with a sign saying who requested their presence. Perfect idea for birthdays, anniversaries, get well or just a pick me up or welcome to the neighborhood.

Visit the link below to order and pay for your flocking. Flockings will take place from April 12th - May 15th.

https://starlionsinternational.org/youve-been-flocked

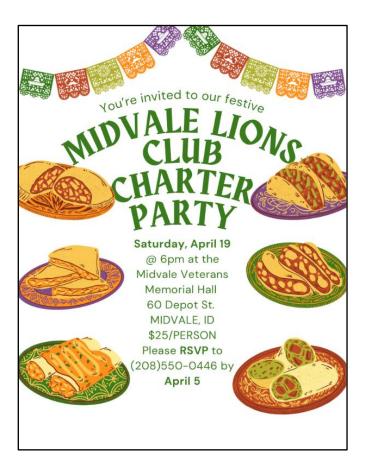
Dates fill up fast, so schedule your flocking today. Thanks for your continued support





The details provided above were sourced from the Lions District 39W Share and Discuss Facebook page.

MIDVALE LIONS



Charter Party

Saturday, April19th @ 6pm at the Midvale Veterans Memorial Hall! \$25 Perperson Please RSVP to 208-550-0446 by April 5th

EMMETT LIONS



Thank you to these Lions (L to R) Shawn, Kim, Bert, Pat, and Larry for doing another round of vision screen for the kiddos that missed the beginning of the year screening.

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ARIAN LIONS



Presenting the second half of our donation for the new playground that will be installed at the Adrian Elementary School. This new equipment will provide great opportunities for all of the growing members of our community!

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PARMA LIONS

The Parma lions created Easter gifts for the residents at the Parma Living Center on March 4th. We had fun filling buckets and planning a visit from the Easter Bunny!



The details provided above were sourced from the Parma Facebook page.

MOUNTAIN HOME LIONS

Don't forget to get registered today and you can pay later!! The more we can get registered earlier the better!! It just takes a minute to get registered!!!

Register Now and Pay with a card or wait and Pay In Person Later at one of our 3 in person events at the Mountain Home Public Library:

- 4/1 & 4/29 3 pm to 6 pm
- 4/12 11 am to 1 pm





The details provided above were sourced from the Mountain Home Facebook page.

HOMEDALE LIONS

Hey, Derby Fans!

As we start the planning stages and gear up for another year of smashing, crashing, and family tradition, we are really excited to bring some new and exciting things to Homedale Demolition Derby in 2025.

Whether you're a driver, a fan, or just here for the fun, there's something for everyone!

14 Mark Your Calendars: July 4th, 2025

PLocation: Homedale Fair Grounds

Stay tuned for updates, driver spotlights, and behind-the-scenes peeks as we start the countdown to July!

🌢 This Year: \$10,000 in Cash Prizes!

That's right! We're thrilled to announce that we'll have \$10,000 in cash prizes for the top three big cars this year! It's time to bring your A-game and battle it out for those bragging rights and cash rewards!

But that's not all! We're introducing an exciting new feature to enhance your fan experience: the option to tip your favorite drivers individually! Show your support and cheer them on like never before!

And don't forget to share your favorite moments, tips, ideas, requested from last season in the comments below!

Let's make this season the best one yet!

#DemolitionDerby #LionsClub #SeasonOpening #SmashIt #GetReadyToRumble



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PARMA LIONS



MERIDAN LIONS



Save the Date

March 19th Weiser Lions Charter Party
April 5th Rupert Lions Charter Party
April 19th Parma Lions Charter Party
April 19th Midvale Lions Charter Party
April 12th - May 15th Star Lions "You've Been Flocked"
May 2nd - 3rd 2024-25 MD 39 Lions Convention







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