

2025 - 2026
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Board Members:
LIONS

1 year
Monica Tarrant
Tandy Curtis
Kat Chinn
Chuck Atwater
Chantelle Baldwin

2 years
Bruce Curtis
Connie Fehlman
Jim Mueller
Jim Arscott

Meetings: 1st & 3rd.
Wednesdays of
each month at the
Eugene Mission
1542 W. 1st. Ave
11:30 lunch
Noon meeting



Eugene Downtown Lions
District 36-R



July LIONS TALE 2025

Month Board Meeting:

The EDLC held its June Board meeting on June 10, at Papas Pizza Parlor on Coburg Rd. Lion Officers attending: President Jim Origliosso; IPP & Tail Twister Jimmy Koch; Lion Tamer Ed McMahon; Secretary Karen Norton; Treasurer Kathy Hinson; 1st VP Liz Roberts; 2nd VP Ted Fox; 3rd VP Sandi Patton.

Board of Directors present: Lions all: Jim Mueller, Bruce Curtis, Chuck Blanchard, Connie Fehlman and Teri Yerton

Absent, Lions all: Tom McCann and Sharon Newton

Guests, Lion's all: Tandy Curtis, Chantelle Baldwin and Lion Connie's husband Sonny

- **Budget for 2025 / 2026**
 - New budget discussed and will be presented for approval at the July Board Meeting.
 - Noted changes include - \$2000 to both OLSHF and LCIF, \$3000 for scholarships and \$400 to The Eugene Mission.
- **Meals on Wheels**
 - The new schedule will be distributed by Lion Tom soon.
- **3rd Lion's Monthly Meeting**
 - Lion JimO talked about the 3rd Lions meeting of the month. It will be the monthly membership meeting & will be at night on the 4th Thursday of the month. More information to follow.
- **Officer's Insurance**
 - Lion Jimmy asked that the Board seriously consider getting Officers Insurance to cover Board liability. After a discussion, Lion Ted volunteered to research the insurance.
- **Committee Chairs and Committee Members for 2026**
 - The Scholarship Committee Chair will be Lion JimO. Committee members include Lions Ted, Teri and Chantelle
 - We need a Fundraising Chairperson, especially if we want to continue with the Spring Auction dinner and / or raffle.
 - Lions Susan noted that the Sight & Hearing committee consists of Lions All: Chair Tim Arbow, Susan Pfanner, Sharon newton, Darlene Thomasec, Kathy Hinson, Ted Fox, Roger Smith and Liz Roberts.
- **Fundraisings**
 - Lion Jimmy presented a final report on the Mother's/Father's Day raffle. The net proceeds were \$3027, with 704 tickets sold.
 - Lion Jimmy let us know that gift donations not used included a \$450 GC from Jerry's, a Certificate for a 2 hr. party bus and a \$90 massage from Kaleidoscope Moon.
 - Lion Jimmy has been helping with the Bethel Lions with their Chicken BBQ fundraisers along with the Boy Scout Troop they sponsor.

- **Membership**
 - A membership report was given by Lion JimO. We have 52 members, a decrease from the 1st of the year. Lion Ted noted that this disqualifies us for a Club Excellence Award.
 - There was a suggestion to have a booth at the fair or home show to get our message out to try and capture new members
- **Sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop**
 - We discussed Eugene Downtown sponsoring a Boy Scout troop. It was noted that it would be our responsibility to vet a leader & monitor all they do. No decision was made.
- ***VP reports, grant applications and vision screening from Ted, 4 lions talks in next lions meeting from Sandi***
 - 2nd VP report: Lion Ted noted that he needs help to solicit grant applications. Vision Screening will again be grades Kinders through 5th. Our club did 6000 screenings with 6% referred.
 - 3rd VP report was given by Lion Sandi. Our June 18th meeting will have 4 Lions give talks about themselves. Lion Karen noted that she would be going to the Chamber of Commerce weekly Greeters meeting at the Marquis this Friday, along with Lions Sandi & JimA. Lion JimO said he would attend. Lion Chuck suggested that when we talk at Greeters, we have a SPOT machine there.
- **Upcoming events – Old business – New business**
 - Installation Dinner, June 27th @
 - Next board meeting is June 10th at Papa's Pizza on Coburg Rd. Board Meetings potentially changing to Thursday nights if the Mission can accommodate this change. If it changes in July, that board meeting will be on July 10 @ 6:30 PM
 - No Lions general meeting on July 2. The Mission is not available that day.

EDLC Meeting – June 4:

The first June EDLC meeting was held on June 4, 2025, at the Mission. The meeting guests were Christie Nichols, who also happens to be the twin sister of Lion Connie Feldman. She works for BLM and gave a wonderful speech about the West Eugene Wetlands program. Her colleague, Rachel Schneiderman, also gave an informative talk on her WREN Willamette Resources Education Network, which partners with the wetlands program for hands on experiences in the wetlands, for both adults and children.

- **Health and Wellness**
 - Jeff Musgrove has pneumonia and is recovering at home
- **Sight and Hearing**
 - Lion Susan Pfanner reported 10 members of the sight & hearing committee met this morning and approved 18 applications. She also reported a Low Vision support group, will meet Saturday 6/7 1:00pm at Sheldon Oaks
- **Pat and Annie Picnic**
 - Pat & Annie picnic July 26th at Emerald Park, more details to follow as it gets closer.

- **Fundraising**
 - Lion Jimmy Koch reports the Bethel Lions are selling BBQ chicken again this weekend at Albertsons. They could use some extra help, contact Lion Jimmy for more information.
 - Springfield Lions are still selling raffle tickets for the June 30th drawing.
 - The Bottle Drop program is in place, see Lion Jim O., if you need bags to fill, or need your filled bags dropped off. All money goes right into the Eugene Downtown Lions Foundation account.
 - Lion Kat Chinn collects pull tabs for Heartfelt House.
- **Information Management and Technology**
 - Lion Karen Norton presented Lion Teri Yerton with an award she won in District wide Best Flyer competition. The winning flyer was for our Santa breakfast. Way to go Teri!!
- **Membership Committee**
 - Lion Newt announced a change of the guard with the membership committee. The format is changing to a more social setting, in the evening hours. Lion Newt has done an exemplary job steering the committee.
- **Upcoming events – Old business – New business**
 - Memorial service for Lion Bob Hixson June 12th at 2:00, Musgroves on Danebo Rd.
 - Lions officer training June 14th, 9:00AM at the Junction City Moose Lodge, contact Lion Karen Norton for more details.
 - Emergency preparedness training June 14th at the Creswell Airport. Contact Lion Jim O., for more info.
 - Installation dinner June 27th at the Hilton Garden hotel. Cost is \$50 per person, please pay in advance if possible.
 - Our fiscal year begins July 1st and dues will be due. Please pay them on time and see Lion Jim O., if you have budget concerns.

EDLC Meeting – June 18:

The second June EDLC meeting was held on June 18th, at the Mission. Meeting guests were 4 of our own Lions presenting some of their own history. Those Lions were Karen Norton, Monica Tarrant, Liz Roberts and Tim Chuey. There were some interesting stories from each of them. Thank you Lions for allowing us to get to know more about your backgrounds and experiences! We also had some guests attending our meeting. Jill from Low Vision support group, (invited by Lion Susan) and someone from Children's Legacy Foundation (formerly the 20/30 club).

- **Health and Wellness**
 - Lion Judith fell while working in her garden. She injured her arm and sprained her ankle. Hopefully she'll have a speedy recovery.
 - Also wanted to mention that Lion Jeff let everyone know that he is putting his house on the market and moving to Hawaii. Can we go with you, Lion Jeff? LOL
- **Fundraising Project Status Reports**
 - Bottle Drop – The bags are available at the meetings. Contact Jim Muellner or Jim O for drop information.
- **Action on new member applications**
 - None at this time

- **Pat and Annie Picnic**
 - The Pat & Annie Picnic will be held Saturday July 26th on National Disability Independence Day. It commemorates the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990. Our Keep the Promise Campaign to raise funds for Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation and the local chapter of the American Council of the Blind will conclude at 1:00pm the day of the picnic. The launch of the campaign begins June 27 (anniversary of Helen Keller's birthday) at the Awards & Installation Banquet. Please donate.
- **New meeting is in the works**
 - Lion Jim O is working on reserving a portion of Claim 52's balcony area for an evening called "Eugene Downtown Lions Get Stuff Done!" Starting on Thursday, July 31 from 5:30 to 8:00ish. The thought is to call this "Committee Night" or ideas on a name that is more imaginative. Let JimO know what you think. The agenda would be in 3 parts:
 - Part 1: Is the Scholarship Committee from 5:30 to 6:15
 - Part 2 is the Membership Committee from 6:15 to 7:15
 - Part 3 is the Fundraising Committee from 7:15 to 8:00
- **Upcoming events – Old business – New business**
 - No Lion's Lunch meeting on July 2. The mission is not available and there will likely be Lions out for the July 4th holiday plans.
 - Springfield Lion's raffle drawing, June 30th, 12:30 PM at Roaring Rapids Pizza Company.
 - Pat and Annie picnic July 26. Noon to 2:30.

Eye glass sorting took place after the meeting was adjourned. Thank you to all who collect, sort, pack and help support the Lion Recycling.



Chair: Lion Tom McCann Chair

July 7 – Jim O and Ed
 July 14 – Newt and Tom
 July 21 – Karen and Carol
 July 28 – Norma and Monica

August 4 – Chuck and Ted
 August 11 – Jim O and Ed
 August 18 – Newt and Tom
 August 25 – Karen and Carol

September 1 is Labor Day so there will not be Meals on Wheels deliveries on that day.

Celebrating 10 Years at Food For Lane County

In 2015, FOOD for Lane County proudly took over the Meals on Wheels program from the American Red Cross of Eugene. This year marks a decade of partnership with Lane Council of Governments Senior & Disability Services, working together to deliver nutritious meals and meaningful connection to seniors throughout our community.

Area Lion Club Visitations: Co-Chairs: Lions Tom McCann & Sharon Newton

No more scheduled club visitations until after the summer. They will be starting back up in September.

Sight & Hearing Committee: Susan Pfanner Chair

The committee met on June 4, 2025. We had nine Eugene Downtown Lions and one Eugene Bethel Lions member present

Patient Care as of May 28th:

- We approved 19 for vision assistance with one (1) pending an interview
- One applicant approved for hearing assistance with their co-pay covered by the Hawn Fund.

Dr. Arbow explained what the Low Vision Device Kit that Dr. Philip Stockstad is assembling. We discussed the cost of the special glasses tied to Artificial Intelligence (AI). These new Meta glasses allow the person to hear electronically what they are seeing. For example: A person wearing the glasses may ask, "What department of the hardware store am I in?"

The correspondence is communicated to the person wearing the glasses. The AI can tell the sight impaired recipient, "You are in the 'Plumbing Section'". The conversation may go on, "What is this I am looking at now?" The response might be, "These are the faucets with one handle for hot and cold".

Our committee voted last month to allow up to \$3700 for the purchase of items to be included in the kit. Dr. Stockstad will send the purchase order to our club once he has determined the necessary devices not already in the kit to be available to Eye Care Providers in the Eugene – Springfield area.

It was announced that Dr. Stockstad is holding appointments (Wednesday afternoons) for the severely sight impaired at the Eugene Eye Clinic located in Springfield. This is by appointment only; candidates should call (541) 687-1715 and relay to the receptionist they are interested in participating in the study Dr. Stockstad is performing for those who have significantly impaired vision.

Vision Screening: Lions Chuck Blanchard Chair

We do not anticipate any more vision screenings until next school year.

Low Vision Support Group: Lion Susan Pfanner Chair

The Low Vision Support Group continues to meet at 1:00pm on the first Saturday, Sheldon Oaks Retirement Center Meeting Room on the ground floor. This is the Southern Willamette Chapter of the American Council of the Blind. Lion Susan spoke at the meeting held June 7th. Besides reminding them about the Pat & Annie Picnic we got their feedback about the menu. The group heard about the work of Lions and how Helen Keller asked LIONS to be knights of the blind. Next meeting is July 5th; bring your own lunch picnic.

Social Committee: Lion: Monica Tarrant Chair

As Lion Monica is just getting back from her vacation, there are no events scheduled at this time.

Food Rescue/Food for Lane County: Lion Jim Newton Chair

Food Rescue was cancelled due to the supervisor, Graham, who called in sick. The second Wednesday of July is still planned.

Fundraising:

--Bottle drop: Jim Mueller. Bags and stickers have been distributed. If you need more, reach out to Lion Jim Mueller of JimO. They are also distributed at the Lion's meetings.




Heartfelt House: Lion Robin Yozzo

Lion Robin is sharing a "Save the Date" for the Heartfelt House's 6th Birthday party on Wednesday, Sept 10th from 4:30 to 6:30. Happy Birthday HFH!

FYIs –

Summer Soiree, Thursday, August 7 at The Aerie
at Eagle Landing in Happy Valley OR

The Hull Foundation and Learning Center



Dear OL SHF Family,

This summer, join us for a heartfelt celebration of 100 Years of Lions Keeping the Promise—a century of transforming lives through sight and hearing programs across Oregon.

Thursday, August 7, 2026
4:30-8:00 PM (Mini Golf: 4-6 PM) |
The Aerie at Eagle Landing | Happy Valley, OR

Our **KTP Summer Soiree** is a joyful, family-friendly evening filled with connection, purpose, and fun for all ages. Whether you've been with us for decades or are just learning about our work, this event is for you—and those you care about.

Here's what's in store:

- Mini Golf for All Ages (4-6 PM) – A fun way to kick off the evening with family and friends.
- Gourmet Hors d'Oeuvres & Beverages – Savor the flavors of summer in a stunning setting.
- Discover OL SHF's Impact – Explore our programs, meet the passionate people behind them, and learn how you can get more involved in creating a healthier, more inclusive Oregon.
- Networking & Celebration – Connect with fellow changemakers and celebrate a century of service.

Early Bird Tickets Are On Sale Now!
Get yours before July 1, 2026 to lock in discounted pricing. **Spots are limited, so don't wait!**
Reserve Your Tickets & Learn More: olshf.org/ktp-summer-soiree

Can't attend? You can still make an impact.
We encourage you to invite someone—a friend, neighbor, colleague, or business partner—who would be inspired by OL SHF's mission and programs. This is a perfect opportunity for new supporters to experience the heart of what we do and see how they can get involved.


Questions? Reach out anytime. marketing@olshf.org

Together, let's honor the legacy, uplift our mission, and build a brighter future—one life, one gift of sight or hearing, at a time.

We can't wait to celebrate with you!

With Gratitude,
Your Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation

Contact us at marketing@olshf.org / 503-238-5105 for more information.
Learn more about the KTP Summer Soiree: olshf.org/ktp-summer-soiree



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Sent by request of Oral Hull Foundation

Hello Fellow Lions,

Working with your support, the Hull Foundation and Learning Center, we change lives by transforming those that are affected by sight loss from coping to thriving. Losing their sight is the top fear in most people's lives. Blindness has a profound impact on their lives and their family's lives. The founder of the Hull Foundation, Oral Hull, identified a tremendous need and opened her heart to help the community of those affected by sight loss or blindness. At her death, she donated the land for what is now the Hull Foundation and Learning Center and Oral Hull Park. The park facilities are designed with tactile features, railings, and guides, specifically for those we serve. The programs, education, counseling, and training opportunities provide a safe, non-judgmental environment. It is a place to learn, interact and rejuvenate their mental health and wellbeing. The benefit extends to their families and caregivers. There is no other program in the country that has potential like the Hull Foundation and Learning Center.



we are facing an uncertain financial future with costs climbing and our donors and guests facing their own financial challenges. Even with our summer and early fall schedule full of both retreats and workshops for people with sight loss as well as fundraisers and rentals, the expenses of upkeep on our facilities and the increased utility and food costs are outpacing the income. Please consider a donation to continue the Legacy of Oral Hull. If you would like us to speak to your club, or a fellow community organization, about our programs, let us know. As a fellow Lion, I thank you for your consideration and support!

Monica Butler
Executive Director/ Hull Foundation
Treasurer Sandy Lions Club
<https://www.hullffa.org/>



Past Events –

Lion Bob Hixson's Memorial. There were about fifteen Lions at Bob Hixson's Memorial service on June 12. I've posted a couple of pictures below.

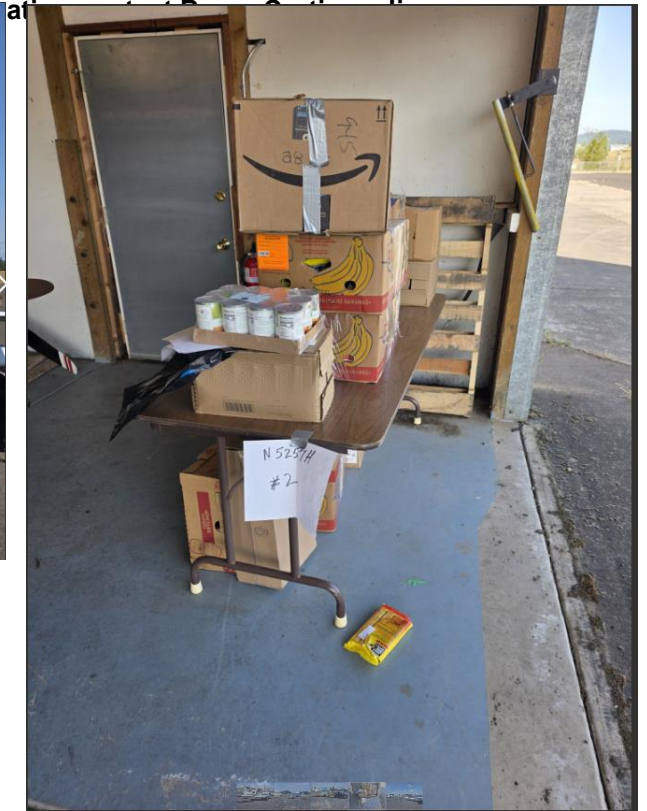


Lions Prepare for Disasters

Fire, Ice, Flood, or Earthquake, Eugene Downtown and other District 36R Lions are getting ready to provide direct help to disaster victims. Volunteers from Eugene, Cottage Grove, and Silverton participated in the 4th Annual "Whale Run" statewide Cascadia airlift exercise on June 14. Cottage Grove and Eugene Downtown Lions worked at the Creswell Airport to package food and medical supplies for shipment to assumed impact areas along the coast. Lions also packed up their own vehicles with supplies and drove them to food banks in Florence and Siletz.

The Lions "ground force" complemented the efforts of airplane pilots from the Oregon Disaster Airlift Response Team (ODART) to directly supply coastal food banks in the short term and to practice for the "real life" Cascadia Subduction Zone event. Accomplishments of the overall Whale Run exercise included:

- **Over 7,000 lbs. food, water, medical supplies transported to coastal impact areas to assist local food banks,**
- **25 Cargo Flights plus 2 Cargo Truck deliveries to exercise impact areas,**
- **10 Observation flights plus 2 sUAS drone sorties over roads, bridges, airfields, and critical infrastructure,**
- **Mutual aid flights to northern California, Southern Washington, and Bellingham area,**
- **Demonstration of disaster communications capabilities including an airborne comms ship.**
- **Incorporation of drones into airlift operations**
- **Engagement of State, county, local, and tribal emergency management to FEMA standards,**
- **No safety incidents – air, land, or water**



July Birthdays

11...Lion Don Combs

August Birthdays

2.....Lion Mary Lee Turner

5.....Lion Tim Chuey

7.....Lion Jim Newton

14...Lion Leonard Calvert

31 Lion Joan Vaughan

From the Governor's Desk

Greetings Lions of District 36R & especially Eugene Downtown Lions!

This is my first letter to each of you and your clubs. Thank you for your Service and support of your communities!

It is an honor to serve as your District Governor for 2025-26. My motto is "LEAVE A LIONS LEGACY". To do that I will need your help.

What do you think is required to leave a LEGACY? It's new members, new clubs and new leadership. Which equals more service and more ideas.

My GAT (Global Action) team & I, including Zone Chairs, will work together to help clubs move forward.

You will have a chance to ask me questions in person. My visitation schedule, which includes visits to all 31 clubs before the end of September 2025, is posted on the [Governor's Page](#) of our [District 36R Website](#). There is a lot more information on the website, including a [Calendar Page](#) to post and promote your club events.

Some of my ideas include more marketing, restarting Lions Quest and exploring ways to increase our footprint in Disaster Relief. Be on the lookout for details and how you & your club can help.

We will offer numerous opportunities for personal growth and leadership development. By investing in ourselves, we can better serve our communities and inspire others to join our mission.

I invite each club to actively participate in these initiatives and share your ideas and feedback. Together, we can achieve our goals and make a lasting difference. We can

LEAVE A LION'S LEGACY

Together, we have the opportunity to make a significant impact in our communities through our shared commitment to service and leadership. After all, our motto is **WE SERVE**.

Thank you for your dedication and service. I look forward to working with each of you to make this year a success.

Yours in Service,

Lion Karen Norton

2025-26 District 36R District Governor "WE ROAR"

July

July was named after the Roman general and dictator Julius Caesar, who played a significant role in Roman history and helped shape the calendar we use today.

July is also national Hot Dog month



- **How do Americans spend the 4th of July weekend?**
Stuck in traffic!
- **What did George Washington say to his men before they crossed the Delaware?**
Get in the boat, men!
- **Teacher: Tommy, can you tell us where the Declaration of Independence was signed?**
Tommy: Yes, ma'am. At the bottom!
- **Why did Paul Revere ride his horse from Boston to Lexington?**
Because the horse was too heavy to carry!
- **This is ridiculous. It's July 6th and people are still setting off fireworks. One almost caught our Christmas decorations on fire!**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 – Canceled Sight and Hearing meeting on Zoom @ 7:30 a.m.	3	4 	5
6	7	8 Lion's board meeting @ 6.30 ?? Or on the 10	9	10 Lion's board meeting @ 6:30?? If change is approved	11	12
13	14	15 Migrant Camp Vision Screening	16 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 –	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Li	26 Pat & Annie picnic. Noon to 2:30 pm
27	28	29	30	31 Lion's Club Committee Meeting 5:30 PM @ Claim 52		

August —

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 –	7 Summer Soiree 4:00 @ The Aerie Eagle Landing in Happy Valley OR	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 –	21	22 Li	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	25	26	27	28	29	