

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



August LIONS TALE 2025

Month Board Meeting:

The EDLC held its July Board meeting on July 10th, 2025, at the Mission.

Lion Officers attending: President Liz Roberts; IPP & Tail Twister Jim Origliosso; Lion Tamer Jim Origliosso; Secretary Beth Sheehan; Treasurer Kathy Hinson; 1st VP Ted Fox; 2nd VP Sandi Patton; 3rd VP Susan Pfanner.

Board of Directors present: Lions all: Monica Tarrant, Tandy Curtis, Kat Chinn, Chantelle Baldwin, Bruce Curtis, Jim Muellner

Absent, Lions all: 3rd VP – Susan Pfanner, Chuck Atwater, Jim Arscott and Connie Fehlman

Guest: DG Karen Norton

- **Board / Officer Liability Insurance**
 - Lion Ted discussed coverage from a recent Lions Club liability training. Further discussion deferred to the August board meeting, including review of the actual application and coverage details with Lion Karen and Lion Ted providing information.
- **Raffle Prizes Inventory**
 - Lion JimO reported inventory given to Lion Kathy. Discussion covered gift certificates, receipts, digitizing/scanning for organization and storing records.
 - JimO plans to bring remaining inventory to August meeting for digitization. Tandy suggested using Google Docs for digital records, with security considerations to be discussed further in August.
- **Bottle Drop**
 - Lion JimO discussed the current status and will provide account credentials to Kathy for review.
- **Pat and Annie Picnic**
 - Scheduled for July 26. Event information along with some pictures are further down in this newsletter.
- **Membership and Scholarship Committee**
 - Lion Ted discussed updating the roster directory. Consideration of bylaws and a 60-day remittance period for dues.
 - Scholarship discussion
 - Attendance discussion and the option for hybrid meetings via Zoom. Beth has set up reoccurring Zoom meetings for the first and third Wednesdays (club meetings) and second Thursdays (board meetings).
- **Fundraising Committee**
 - Needs a Chair
 - We will use a spreadsheet to track activities, leads and gifts for better record keeping and future planning.
 - Discussed future auctions, raffles, and digitized records.

- VP reports
 - No reports from the VPs.
- Upcoming events – Old business – New business
 - Committee Meeting, July 31 @ The Marquis, 555 Country Club Rd. Meeting starts at 5:30 pm. Committees to be reviewed: Scholarship, Membership and Fundraising.
 - The board approved having a 3rd General Lion Meeting at night, on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The first night meeting will be on September 24, 2025 @ 5:30 PM at the Mission. A zoom meeting is scheduled if anyone would like to attend but cannot do so in person.

EDLC Meeting – July 2 meeting was canceled:

EDLC Meeting – July 16:

The second June EDLC meeting was held on July 16th, at the Mission. Meeting guests were Donte White and Courtnie Toro from Adult & Teen Challenge. They gave a wonderful presentation of what they do but Courtnie's stories about her struggles with Dependencies was very moving. Congrats to her for her accomplishments.

- Health and Wellness
 - Lion Yvonne is home and doing well after hip and back surgery. What a trooper!
- Fundraising Project Status Reports
 - The bottle drop project is still active. Blue bags are available during the Lion's general meeting. Lion JimO said full bags can be brought to the general meeting and someone will drop them off at the bottle and can recycle building.
- Action on new member applications
 - We currently have around 10 people who are in varying stages of becoming Lions. Anywhere between just needing approval from the board, to having already paid their dues, to needing to fill out an application. We even have 2 that are coming from another Lion's club.
- Pat and Annie Picnic
 - Pics and information below in this newsletter
- New meeting is in the works
 - The board approved a third general meeting to start in the evenings on the 4th Wednesdays of the month. First one will be on September 24th at 5:30 at the mission.
- Upcoming events – Old business – New business
 - Lions Awards; the Robin award was given to Lion Judith Grosenick.
 - Lion Sharon Newton passed on the Lion's Editor pin to Lion Tandy Curtis who took over editing the newsletter. This was special because Babe Curtis gave Sharon the editor's pin and now has been passed down to Tandy, Babe's daughter in law. Thank you Sharon!!

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

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

September 1 – No meal delivery on Labor day
September 8 – Monica and Norma
September 15 – Chuck and Ted
September 22 – JimO and Ed
September 29 – Newt and Tom

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

No visitations currently scheduled.

Sight & Hearing Committee: Susan Pfanner Chair

Present: Chair Tim Arbow, Co-Chair Susan Pfanner EDLC President Liz Roberts, Tyler Fund Rep. Mark Meyers, (Florence), Kathy Hinson, Chuck Blanchard, Sharon Newton, Roger Smith, Darlene Thomasec, Haan Fund Rep. Chuck Parnel (Bethel)

Vision Approved 14 (1 needs extra-large, tinted frames (Haan Fund)
The patient should be able to pay ½ of the total expense or take any frame available that fits.

1 glasses only)

Hearing Approved 2 (1 repair or new determined by exam.

1 needs a machine that translates phone call. This
Requires a statement from audiologist and/or document from
Provider.)

Discussion:

- Reimbursement to providers as per OLSHF was reduced to \$250 from \$400.
- Set a date in September for face-to-face meeting with Melinda and Doug from OLSHF.
- Bethel has their own fund called the “DALE” which is the equivalent of the Haan Fund
- New vision testing device should be ready to loan out in October.
- Pat & Annie/Keep The Promise Picnic...July 26..12 – 2:30 Emerald Park

Vision Screening: Lions Chuck Blanchard Chair

Ted Fox reported in our last general meeting that there was a vision screening I believe at Cesar Chavez Elementary in Eugene. They screened 200 kids with a lot of referrals. Thanks to Chuck Blanchard, Chuck Atwater, Kat Chinn and Ted Fox.

Low Vision Support Group: Lion Susan Pfanner Chair

Nothing to report on Low Vision Support.

Social Committee: Lion: Monica Tarrant Chair

Lion Monica has been scheduling Lion Social Events at restaurants who have donated services or gifts to our fundraisers. It is her plan to continue this in order to foster connections with donors and contribute to local businesses.

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

It turned out to be a delightful two hours of work.
First, the group processed 200 lbs of frozen food.
Then they packaged 1200 lbs. of health bars.

This involved first preparing plastic bags with labels. Then each bag was filled with a dozen bars and the bags were loaded into banana boxes. The boxes were then piled on a pallet to be stored until needed.

The Lions and other worked at a fast pace but there was plenty of laughing and high spirits. For me (Lion Newt) it was a reminder of why I love this service activity so much. It's for a good cause, the work is interesting, and we have a lot of fun. If you're a Lion, you can't beat that.

Note that there were two men and seven women. We like women, but more Lion men need to step up and give two hours (or less) a month to this very worthwhile project!

Group Picture: Behind Lion Newt are Annabelle and Lions Chantelle and Teena; final row Lions are Liz, Jeff, Kat, Monica, and Sandi

Lion Sandi behind the stack of boxes with health bars!



Fundraising:

Bottle Return project is still active. Get your bags at the general Lion's meetings as well as return your full ones at the meeting and someone can drop it off at the recycle center.



Heartfelt House: Lion Robin Yozzo

Keeping the below information here for September information. Nothing new from the Heartfelt House but I know Robin is spending some much needed time with family and friends.

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



Dear OLSHF 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, 2025
4:00–8:00 PM (Min Golf: 4:45 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 OLSHF'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, 2025 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 OLSHF'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 / 503-298-5105 for more information.

📖 Learn more about the KTP Summer Soiree: olshf.org/ktp-summer-soiree



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Questions? Reach out to Karen Norton



Field of Dreams dinner & auction.
Field of Dreams will be taking place on August 14th at PK Park and we are looking for volunteers who would be able to help with setting up the event. Doors will open at 6:00pm and we expect to end at 9pm.

The tables & chairs will be delivered at 9am on the 14th and we are looking for help rolling tables and unloading cars. We would be grateful to have a group from the Lions Club helping from 9am – noon if you were interested. We will have a lot of tasks and can find a job for

Past Events
Pat and Annie Picnic

The Pat and Annie Picnic was held on July 26. Fun was had by all and the food was spectacular!

Lion Susan and her team did a fabulous job planning and organizing this event. Great job Susan!!!

Lion Prez Liz, doing her duty.



There wasn't just hot dogs and Chicken

Hot dogs and chicken, yummm



Lunch Line!!



Pretty good turnout



And Irish Music!!



Some of our guests

And speakers from our blind community



Committee Meeting

Attendees – Lions : JimO, Diane Gregoire, Diane Landon, Karen Norton, Teri Yerton, Ted Fox, Tandy Curtis, Bruce Curtis, Liz Roberts and Chantelle Baldwin.

Facilitated by Lion JimO at the Marquis Associated Living on July 31.

The focus committees were Scholarship, Membership and Fundraising.

This group had a lot of good ideas for all three of these committees. Follow up tasks were assigned to different Lions. It's pretty exciting, some cool things coming in the future. Stay tuned!!

From the Governor's Desk

Greetings to all! I have been having fun adventures starting my Governor year, by meeting as many Lions in our District as possible. You may notice that I might not be at as many Eugene Downtown meetings as I would like, but I will be at our 1st night meeting on July 31st & you are always on my mind. I hope that you are following my adventures via the pictures on our Lions District 36R website. It's on the Governor's page, thanks to our new member, Lion David Neilson. Besides being a new EDTL member, he is also the District IT Guru!

I hope that you will consider attending the Leadership & Zone training on August 2nd. The training and the 1st District Cabinet meeting on August 23rd are available to register for on our website. They are both in Tangent & right off the freeway. If you would like a ride, let me know. One of my goals this year will be to have a Service project at each Cabinet meeting. Both events promise to be fun & interactive. The training will be available via zoom. Even if you do not currently hold a leadership or zone chair position, it doesn't hurt to find out what they are all about.

Of my many other goals, including more marketing to tell folks about Lions and getting every club in our District to contribute to LCIF & why it's important, I want to see more participation in our Conventions. The District R (Feb. 7, 2026) and Multiple District 36 Convention (May 29-30, 2026) will both be at the Holiday Inn Express in Springfield. I need your help to make these Conventions memorable. I have ideas for speakers, but I welcome your thoughts. Participation is so important. Let's set an example & have a record number of attendees. I plan to do a roll call & we can easily out ROAR other clubs!

Other than going to many club visitations, which are posted on our website, I had the pleasure of attending a Mission 1.5 summit in Las Vegas from June 27-29th. It was an in-person, interactive focus on goals & how to accomplish them with District Governor Elects & their Global Membership Chairs from around the world. My chair is Past Council Chair Lion Lynn Coon.

From July 12th to the 18th, I had the privilege of attending the Lions International Convention in Orlando, FL. Meeting Lions from all over the world and seeing their national attire, was amazing. Other great events included carrying our MD36 banner in the parade with my fellow DGE's from Oregon, the Parade of flags, the many informational seminars, volunteering for Rise Against Hunger and having fun dinners with the other 16 participants from Oregon. Next years convention is in Hong Kong.

Always remember: "We are serving a world in need, one act of kindness at a time"

Yours in Service, DG Lion Karen

And there you have it, from the Governor's desk.

August Birthdays

2.....Lion Mary Lee Turner

5.....Lion Tim Chuey

7.....Lion Jim Newton

14...Lion Leonard Calvert

31 Lion Joan Vaughan

September Birthdays

6.....Lion Ed McMahon

18...Lion Norma Barbisan

25...Lion Sandi Patton

August

On August 6, 1762, the first-ever sandwich was created, at least with such a name. It was named after the Earl of Sandwich when he requested a dish involving meat between two pieces of bread. As the story goes, he requested it as he was in the middle of a gambling game and didn't want to interrupt it.

August is also Sandwich Month



- What do you call a month that loves to sing?
Aug-cappella! (this one is for you Liz and Chantelle)
- Why do we never tell secrets on a farm in August?
Because the potatoes have eyes and the corn has ears!
- Why did the golfer bring two pairs of pants in August?
In case he got a hole in one!
- Why do birds fly south in August?
Because it's too hot to walk!
- I celebrate Halloween in August. When you show up at someone's door at night in August with a mask on, you get better stuff.



August -

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Lions meeting At the Mission @ 11:30 AM Speaker in process of being planned	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Lions Board meeting, 5:30 pm at The Mission	15	16
17	18	19	20 Lions meeting At the Mission @ 11:30 AM Speaker Hannah Bishop- Health Care Association of Oregon	21	22	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

September —

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day, no Meals on Wheels	2	3 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 – Speaker, open for now	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Lion's Board Meeting, 5:30 PM @ The Mission	12	13 Chili Cookoff in Veneta
14	15	16	17 Lion's Club Meeting @ 11:30 – Speaker from Eugene Bright Parade	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Lion's Club Meeting @ 5:30 at the Mission	25	26	27
28	29	30				