

## **District Governor Report**

### **Cabinet Meeting – September 14, 2024 – Eugene, Oregon**

**Membership** – CC Lynn Coon and I attended a Mission 1.5 Summit training in Orlando. Lots of discussion with other Lions and trainers on how to increase our membership. Lion Lynn is the District 36-R Global Membership Team (GMT) Coordinator and will be looking at existing clubs and why they are losing members and how to get them back. I am the Global Extension Team (GET) Coordinator. I will be focusing on getting new clubs started and reviving clubs that have previously closed.

**Leadership** – Lion Fran Silbernagel has been extremely busy setting up training sessions. We have had two officer trainings (one in Junction City, one in Keizer) and will be having a Zone chair training on October 5 in Junction City.

**Services** – PCC Lion Rod Bach is the Global Services Team (GST) coordinator and has been investigating service projects that he is sharing with District 36-R clubs. Contact him for suggestions. There are a lot!

**Visitations** – I have begun my visitations. Off to a slow start (due to a bout of pneumonia) but am picking up speed. Have visited Newport, Gardiner-Reedsport, and Eugene Bethel so far. Have at least eight more scheduled in the next month.

**Portal** – I, too, am Portal-challenged. There are several training videos available, and I am tackling those. I encourage you to do the same. Cabinet Secretary Diane Bash is turning out to be our Portal guru so feel free to contact her for help.

**Cabinet Meeting** – The next cabinet meeting will be on December 14, most likely at the Junction City Moose Lodge.

**District Convention** – February 8 at the OSU Alumni Center in Corvallis. Last year's was Standing Room Only, so be prepared to register early.

Respectfully submitted,  
District Governor Linda Stent  
District 36-R

## CC Lynn Coon IPDG Report for Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 2024 Cabinet Meeting

As immediate Past District Governor, I am very happy to see we have not only a District Governor, DG Lion Linda, but also a Vice District Governor. We have gone too long without leadership stepping forward to keep succession going with our District Governor. Two years in a row we as a district have had to appoint a District Governor. This should never happen. I am so pleased to see Lion Karen Norton as our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor. She brings so much energy and knowledge of Lions to our district. As she serves with District Governor Lion Linda, I see great things continuing to move forward. Now we will continue working to have a second VDG step up. We need the help of our Past district governors, our zone and region chairs as we find more leadership candidates. We need to grow our membership, and I believe when we stay consistent with our leadership moving up to district positions, we have a better chance of accomplishing that goal. Let's all work together to identify possible future District Governors. Let's all work together and mentor those willing to step up as a leader.

**SERVING FROM THE HEART, TOGETHER MAKING OUR MARK AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE.**

PDG/CC Lion Lynn

## District 36R 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Report; September 2024

Greetings Lions!

I am excited to be your Vice District Governor for 2024-25. For those of you that don't know me, I hope to meet you soon.

I have belonged to Eugene Downtown Lions for 13 years and am currently the club Secretary and chair of our breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus event. I have been a Zone chair for 7 years and this year I am a Region Zone Chair. In addition, I am on the District Childhood Cancer awareness committee. In my spare time I volunteer with South Willamette Valley Honor Flight. When I have time, I like to watch Nascar races & am an avid UofO Women's Basketball fan.

In addition to helping District Governor Linda, I want to be your contact for all Lions. I am busy learning what I need to know to help each club in our District be the best they can be.

There are many ways to do this, but to me the most important is finding ways to get new members and retaining members. It is so important to know what your clubs' members like to do and find a volunteer activity that fits them.

Thank you for all you do!

Lion VDG Karen Norton

## District Secretary Report for Q1 Cabinet Meeting September 14, 2024

Members of the Cabinet,

I'm excited about the new year, for the opportunity to continue working on our district goals, and to meet some new faces!

I've been in frequent contact with our new District Governor, Linda Stent, and want to share my confidence in her ability to lead this cabinet toward building up District 36-R in positive ways. She is enthusiastic, and has her hands involved in many of the important activities that make Lions a successful and impactful service organization!

One of my goals this year is to become so familiar with the Lions Portal that I will be able to support others who are trying to use it for their positions and to help their clubs. This will require us to make use of training videos, as well as put a good deal of effort and practice into working with the system. We are promised it will become easier! There are also forums on Facebook that are proving very helpful!

Another goal I have is to help those of you who are questioning ways to make an impact with your responsibilities in your cabinet position. Many of you are seasoned in your experience and duties, but others are trying to figure things out. I don't know all the answers, but am willing to try, and I would love to offer support in any way possible.

One ongoing goal is to increase communication and effective support between us within the cabinet. We can do this in a few ways: **Compile your reports and send them via email to me in a timely fashion prior to each cabinet meeting.** Read the reports as they are distributed back out to all members of the cabinet, and then act on the important information they contain. Hopefully there will be a ripple effect as we share anything we learn with our club boards. Zone leaders are an especially important asset to club presidents and secretaries, helping them to understand district goals and make necessary and helpful changes at the club level.

The world is a busy place with many opportunities. Service in Lions is only a part of what we will do with our time this year, but we know that we will make our communities stronger by doing our part. I'm so proud of District 36-R and look forward to spending time with all of you this year!

Sincerely,

Lion Diane Bash  
Cabinet Secretary

Region 1 zone 2

Dallas

John is having heart problems

4 members, club in decline

Awarded 1 scholarship

Flower sale was a flop

In desperate need of new members

West Salem

17-18 members

Just finished concession stand in park for summer concerts

Just finished selling snow cones and cotton candy at Polk Co Fair

Next fundraiser will be selling Christmas trees at Ace Hardware in late November and December

Silverton

23 members

Just finished selling fireworks

Next fundraiser will be selling See's candy late November and December

Club awarded 7 scholarships to graduating seniors

Club will be doing vision screening later on

That is all club contacts I have been able to make, nobody called me back but I will be doing visitations soon

Respectfully

Jon DeBo

## William Scheler R1 Zone 3 Chair Report ~ Q1 Cabinet Mtg. Sept 2024

### **Philomath Lions**

The major target will be gaining new members so that the Philomath Lions club can continue to be a positive force in the community. Philomath Lions Club, this year, 36 minded businesses purchased advertising in the Philomath Lions Club Community calendar, another great fundraiser. With community support it's going to be a busy year.

### **Jefferson Lions Club**

Jefferson Lions Club is busy with Sight & Hearing, community service at the food pantry, the museum, and Heroes day. Looking for new ideas for fundraisers and always in need of new members.

### **Corvallis Lions Club**

Corvallis Lions is doing service in their community, and had a good summer with the Burger Barn. They are going to target new members this year. They are all a ROAR!!!!!! this is their 100<sup>th</sup> year! Let's help them celebrate, that is something!

### **East Albany Lions**

East Albany is starting the new year with bringing back there Golf tournament September 20<sup>th</sup> at Trysting Tree. They had a great club get together at their second corn hole tournament at Lions Betsy and Steve's in July. Lion Robert is helping more people in the community with glasses and hearing aids. Lumberjack breakfast was a good four days with community and car clubs. Sportsman show coming in January 2025 and East Albany Lions will celebrate 75 years ROAR!!!! Hopefully we will add new Lions.

Lion Bill Scheler, Membership chair

Henry Miller  
Region 2 Zone 2  
September 14, 2024

### **Marcola Valley Lions**

Not much to report.

The club is meeting once a month over summer months. They have been growing with new members this past year. In fact, they will be inducting a new member at the next club meeting.

### **Springfield Lions**

We presented a check to Casa for \$ 3,035, which was very much appreciated. We did a pizza night which brought in dollars for club activities. The club is doing a great job collecting cans & bottles for Honor Flight and club activities. August we also did a road clean-up, collecting 34 bags of trash.

# **Reilly Newman R 2 Zone 3 Chair Report ~ Q1 Cabinet Mtg. Sept 2024**

## **Eugene Downtown Lions:**

We have one transfer member & another new pending member in August. Our membership committee is also focusing on retention. One of the ways to do that is to have Social Events. Our new chair is Lion Monica. She is planning at least one social event a month. In August a bunch of us went to the Hult Center for an event and we just had a group attend a Eugene Ems game. We even got recognized on the billboard.

In addition, we are getting our club visitations started again. In the next 2 months we will be visiting Alvadore & Springfield Lions. Last year we didn't do very well with this and want to improve.

As always we are busy with our Sight & Hearing program and are excited to start Vision Screening in October. We have 3 members that volunteer separately at Food for Lane County, in addition to our regular once a month volunteering at what we call Food Rescue.

We had our 1st Santa breakfast meeting. We tried alot of new things last year & decided to revamp a few things, but keep it a fun, family oriented event at Heartfelt House. It will be Dec. 14th from 9 to noon.

## **Elkton Lions Club:**

We just finished 2 days staffing our Swedish pancake booth at Fort Umpqua Days as a fundraiser. We had wonderful help from Lion Karen Norton of the Downtown Eugene Lions Club in doing that, as well as assistance from our local 4-H club leaders and members.

We will be doing the booth again September 23 and 14 when the Bluegrass and Butterflies event will be happening at ECEC. If you are a bluegrass fan, you should consider coming --- and buying pancakes and sausages from us, of course!

Members have completed delivering the community calendars we sell to raise money for scholarships for Elkton High School graduates. We are in the final stages of collecting the money for those calendars.

In early October we will be doing sight testing at three schools: Elkton Charter School, North Douglas Schools and Yoncalla Elementary.

## **Cottage Grove Lions:**

We gave away \$2000 in scholarships to local CGHS students.

We celebrated our 100 years of service as a Lions Club with a BBQ in Bohemia Park. We also inducted 7 new members and our new board members.

We held our annual Lions Club Summer Food Drive in July and collected ~700lbs of food and \$200 for Community Sharing, our local food pantry.

Lion Reilly, Club Treasurer participated in the emergency bucket volunteer event at the Albany Airport.

We are currently in the planning stages of our annual Radio Days event where we take over our local radio station for the day and Lions Club members are guest DJs. We sell advertisements to local businesses to be aired during this time to fund our locally held sight and hearing fund.

We will be participating in our local vision screenings at 7 local elementary schools this fall.



Lakeside Lions

\*Weekly on Sunday nights they have community bingo at their Lions Hall. doors open at 5:00 pm and Bingo begins at 6:30 pm until about 9:30 pm. On average about 20-30 community members come for Bingo.

\*The funds they collect with weekly Bingo generally go to the Santa Social at Christmas time, and have about 100 kids attend that event.

\*They have 6 members currently.

\*They meet to do business typically on Sunday nights prior to Bingo, as needed.

\*They have a collection box for glasses at the Bingo hall.

\*Their President (Jackie) does not currently have working email, best to **contact her by phone** as I did today for this report.

\*Their Secretary does have working email.

Mapleton Lions Club

August 27 - Hosted a Welcome Back/ Had a great school year taco luncheon attended by at least 40 Mapleton School District employees.

August 11 - Hosted our monthly fundraising community breakfast; proceeds go towards MHS scholarships and community grants.

July - Breakfast and new officers

June - Breakfast and MHS scholarships awarded at graduation ---\$8000+

May - Breakfast and made a major donation to the MHS prom, including the use of our building; cleaned Mapleton cemetery and placed flags at veterans gravesites for Memorial Day; interviewed scholarship applicants.

**NEWPORT LIONS CLUB**

<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	19
<b>MEETINGS</b>	2nd and 4th Wednesday 6:30 pm 306 E Olive Street Newport, OR
<b>PAST ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUARTER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4th of July Parade in GLENEDEN BEACH</li> <li>• 4th of July Posting Colors In WALDPOR</li> <li>• Meeting: July 10, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: July 24, 2024</li> <li>• August 6, 2024 NEWPORT National Safe Night Out</li> <li>• Meeting: August 14, 2024</li> <li>• August 28, 2024 NEWPORT High Back to School</li> <li>• August 28, 2024 NEWPORT MIDDLE Back to School</li> </ul>
<b>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PEACE Posters- Introduction to 7 schools</li> <li>• VISION Screening- Sept/Oct- Lincoln Co School Dist</li> <li>• Meeting: September 11, 2024</li> <li>• NEWPORT PRIDE Festival- September 21, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: September 25, 2024</li> <li>• NEWPORT triathlon First Aid Station- Sept 29, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: October 9, 2024</li> <li>• NEWPORT Rec Center Spooky Swim- Oct 12, 2024</li> <li>• Samaritan Hospital Health Expo- October 19, 2024</li> <li>• NEWPORT Trunk or Treat- October 19, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: October 23, 2024</li> <li>• WALDPOR Trunk or Treat- October 25, 2026</li> <li>• Meeting: November 13, 2024- Peace Poster Judging</li> <li>• Lions Club Generator Raffle: November 13, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: November 27, 2024</li> <li>• Beachcomber Christmas Faire- Dec 7, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: December 11, 2024</li> <li>• Beachcomber Days Lighted Parade- Dec 20, 2024</li> </ul>

**WALDPOR T LIONS CLUB**

<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	13
<b>MEETINGS</b>	1st Tuesday 6:00 pm Waldport Community Center 265 Hemlock St Waldport, OR 97394
<b>PAST ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUARTER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4th of July Posting Colors In WALDPOR T</li><li>• Meeting: July 2, 2024</li><li>• Meeting: August 6, 2024</li><li>• Officer Training, August 31, 2024 Junction City</li></ul>
<b>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bottle Drop</li><li>• PEACE Posters- Introduction to Waldport Middle</li><li>• VISION Screening- Sept/Oct- Lincoln Co School Dist</li><li>• Meeting: September 3, 2024</li><li>• Meeting: October 1, 2024</li><li>• WALDPOR T Trunk or Treat- October 25, 2026</li><li>• Meeting: November 5, 2024- Peace Poster Judging</li><li>• Meeting: December 2, 2024</li></ul>

1st quarter Lions Club Zone Report

**YACHATS LIONS CLUB**

<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	32
<b>MEETINGS</b>	2nd & 4th Tuesday 6:00 pm Yachats Lions Club 344 4th St, Yachats, OR 97498
<b>PAST ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUARTER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting: July 2, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: July 16, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: July 18, 2024</li> <li>• Speaker Series: July 28, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: August 6, 2024</li> <li>• Speaker Series: August 11, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: August 15, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: August 20, 2024</li> <li>• THRIFT Store</li> </ul>
<b>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PEACE Posters- Introduction to Crestview Heights</li> <li>• VISION Screening- Sept/Oct- Lincoln Co School Dist</li> <li>• Meeting: September 3, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: September 17, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: September 19, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: October 1, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: October 15, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: October 17, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: November 5, 2024- Peace Poster Judging</li> <li>• Meeting: November 19, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: November 21, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: December 3, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting: December 17, 2024</li> <li>• Lunch Bunch Meeting: December 19, 2024</li> <li>• Breakfast with Santa</li> </ul>

## Reedsport Club Report

**MEMBERSHIP:** 34 members

**MEETINGS:** We meet the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM at Kismet Landing in Reedsport. Except from July-August, in July we have a summer social BBQ and no formal meeting, in August we serve our community at National Night Out.

**PAST QUARTER ACTIVITIES:** In May we sold hanging flower baskets to raise funds to support our community projects. Our flagpole broke in May and in July we were able to get the parts, the beginning of August the City of Reedsport assisted us in getting the 85 foot flagpole fixed. Now our American flag is beautifully displayed as you enter town on HWY 38. The first Tuesday in August is National Night Out. Our Lions club cooked and served over 700 hamburgers and hotdogs to the community.

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES in SEPTEMBER:** I am leaving for a 3 week trip so starting tomorrow I will be gone. Bob Huebner our club VP will lead the meeting on September 5th. I have prepared the agenda and delivered it to him and the club members.

## Florence-Siuslaw Report

**MEMBERSHIP:** 16 members

**MEETINGS:** 2 times per month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm at the DAV hall in Florence. Except from July-September we only have one meeting per month, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday.

**PAST QUARTER ACTIVITIES:** We prepared and served food at the Free Lunch program. In June our 2-day Bass Fishing Tournament was a success on Siltcoos Lake. And, we had a great raffle as well. The second day there were certainly some challenges with the wind and rain, but we still were pleased with the outcomes. This year we participated in the Power of Florence event in July. Another great opportunity to get Lions out in front of the community and let the community know more about membership and what we do. Then there was the kids' bass tournament at Darlings in July where we cooked and served food. In just a couple of days this month (August) we will be attending the Boys & Girls Club Air Academy Fly-in event they have at the airport, and will be cooking and supplying hot dogs and drinks there. New fiscal year officers were orientated and initiated. Collected and sent off many eyeglasses and some hearing aids. Processed many Sight & Hearing requests. Set up a new Facebook page entitled Florence Siuslaw Lions. we were unable to take down our old page, which said Florence Siuslaw Lions Club. But, it had few followers. So, go in and like the one that does NOT say Club on the end.

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES in SEPTEMBER:** A club social in September which will be a potluck. School supply outreach. Upcoming community speakers are being scheduled.

## Fran Camacho-Silbernagel GLT Report Q1 Cabinet Mtg September 2024

There were two Lions Officer Training recently completed. The subjects covered were duties of President/VP duties, Treasurer, Secretary, Lion Tamer/Tail Twister and Board members. We also discussed GMA, GAT, GST, GLT, GET and Mission 1.5. Handouts for 101 Service Ideas, Lions Acronyms, Internation Dues

On August 31 in Junction City there were 20 attendees. There were eight presenters and fifteen total availed themselves of training subjects. There were three presidents, two vice presidents, six secretaries, three treasurers and one Lion tamer present.

On September 7 in Keizer, there were 17 attendees. There were eight presenters plus one timekeeper. Eleven people availed themselves of training subjects. There was one president, two vice presidents, seven secretaries and four treasurers present. Lion Rod did a mini-Lions orientation as one of the new Presidents had never attended one.

Handouts were: 101 Service Ideas, LCI Membership Dues, Global Causes and Service Reporting Project Types, Lions Service Volunteer Project Guide, Popular LCI Acronyms and District and Club Administration Resources.

There is a Zone Chair training scheduled for October 5, 2024, at the Junction City Moose Lodge starting at 10:00 a.m.

# CC Lynn Coon GMT Report

## District 36-R Cabinet Mtg. September 14, 2024

District 36-R membership as of End of August is a negative. Our goal is to have a positive net gain by the end of Lions year 2024/25. I plan on communicating with all the clubs in 36-R to make sure we have a GMT (Global Membership Chair) and a committee to work together with membership. Also, each club should have a GET (Global Extension Team) in every club. My goal as GMT is to get our zone chairs involved along with the district GAT team when visiting the clubs it will be part of the visit to discuss. Our clubs want to have membership growth but are not sure where to start. I would like to do training with the membership of the clubs on how to approach friends or family about becoming part of the world's largest service organization. How we as Lions need to change our mindset about recruiting new and younger Lions for our future and what we can do to retain the Lions we have.

Another goal is to add two new clubs, this could include specialty clubs, 20 new members each and our stretch goal is to add two branch clubs 5 new members each. Would give our district a positive net gain of 50 new members. This would be supporting Mission 1.5 membership growth, a commitment made in Boston at the International convention last Lions year. Having 1.5 million members by Lions year 2027. Our Constitutional area 1 has not had a positive net gain in 40 years. It's time to change that and the way we look at our new members and how to recruit

Many members will ask why such a large goal? My answer to each Lion is if we do not set the goal, we have nothing to work for.

Now it is time to get our clubs pumped up and excited about getting more Lions and SERVING more individuals in our communities.

We have three simple rules in life.

- (1) If you don't go after what you want, you'll never have it.
- (2) If you don't ask, the answer will always be NO.
- (3) If you don't step forward, you're always in the same place.

So, let's go after new members, let's not be afraid to ask and let's move forward building our clubs so we don't stay with the same number of members. The more members the more service we can do for those we serve.

SERVING FROM THE HEART, TOGETHER MAKING OUR MARK AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE. GMT/ CC Lion Lynn 36-R

# 2025 CONVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE

## *Report to the 36-R Cabinet*

September 14, 2024

The 2025 District 36-R Convention will be held on February 8, 2025, at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center in Corvallis. The convention will be preceded by OLSHF and COG meetings on February 7<sup>th</sup>, also at the Alumni Center, and as of now, we will once again hold a meet-n-greet dinner on Friday night, time and location TBD.

As always, the biggest challenge for our committee is to find ways to keep the convention affordable while, at the same time, maintaining a **healthy** balance in the 36-R convention fund. To this end, for the third year in a row, we will place great importance on procuring sponsorships to help offset convention expenses. To document the value of sponsorship contributions, we received \$1,950 in sponsorship donations for our 2024 convention, and our net profit for the event was approximately \$1,350. This is all you need to know about the value of convention sponsors.

I have reached out to the Corvallis Lions Club in hopes that they will serve as host club for this year's event and to recruit help from them in finding sponsors in the Corvallis area. To date, I've not been invited to one of their club meetings to pitch the convention, so I will be following up on my initial request.

The 36-R Convention Planning Committee has not yet met this year. I will be contacting last year's committee members to see if they are willing to serve again for the 2025 convention, and a Zoom meeting will be set up in the near future.

Tom Hilgers  
36-R Convention Chair  
West Salem Lions Club



September 10, 2024

Environmental Awareness 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report

**Oregon's COVID-19 level:** From mid-May through mid-August the rate of people testing positive for COVID-19 cases rose, peaking at 19.2 %. Hospitalizations have seen bi-modal peaks this past year, one the week ending December 30<sup>th</sup> and one ending the week of August 10<sup>th</sup>. The second was consistent with 27 states in the United States. Between May and August 2024 there were 116 Covid-19 related deaths in Oregon.<sup>1</sup>

**Tracking; Incubation and Exposure:** The CDC's tracking estimates and projects for 14-day periods. The Covid-19 wastewater testing shows levels in the West are still high as of September 3, 2024. For the 2-weeks starting 21 July, ending 3 August it was projected the KP.3.11 variant accounted for 27.8% of positive infections, the K.P.3 at 20.1%. Both variants are from strains or descendents of the JN.1 (that emerged in late 2023). After exposure to the virus, symptoms can appear between two and 14 days. Symptoms can range from mild to severe. Having no symptoms does not mean you are not contagious. Be cautious for ten days following a (+) test result. One is no longer required to quarantine for a certain number of days or report to the Oregon Health Authority after testing positive for Covid-19. It is recommended to stay isolated if experiencing a fever, staying so for 24 hours following no fever without taking analgesics or fever reducing medication.

**Seek medical attention if you have:** Inability to wake or stay awake, new confusion, pale or blue-colored skin, lips or nail beds, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, trouble

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<sup>1</sup> Oregon Health Authority

breathing.<sup>2</sup>

**Pandemic is categorized as endemic:** We have dealt with the Alpha, Beta, Delta and Omicron variants of COVID-19. What we knew as ‘pandemic’ is now being classified as “endemic”. An endemic is ongoing. It is a disease that occurs with regularity, circulating within a community at an expected or normal level despite an occasional outbreak. According to Aron Hall, Deputy Director for science at the CDC’s coronavirus and other respiratory viruses division, “At this point COVID-19 can be described as an endemic throughout the world”.

**An ounce of prevention:** Avoid crowds, carry an approved mask, get vaccinated for COVID-19<sup>3</sup>, Influenza and RSV prior to Halloween, have outdoor instead of indoor gatherings if feasible, if having respiratory symptoms stay home or quarantine in place, keep two up-to-date test kits for each resident in a household, [COVIDTests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov); use automated air purifier or cleaner if outside air is unhealthy (100 +) get adequate sleep, take medications as prescribed, cover cough and wash hands.

Susan Pfanner, Eugene Downtown Lions Club, Environmental Chair District-R

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<sup>2</sup> Isabel Funk and Ahjané Forbes, Salem Statesman Journal, USA TODAY and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention

<sup>3</sup> The 2024-2025 non-mRNA COVID-19 vaccine made by Novavax has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for people 12 and older. The 2024-2025 mRNA vaccines by Moderna and Pfizer were approved last month.

Steve Moser  
Hunger Relief Chair Report  
Q1 Cabinet Report Sept 2024

### **Hunger Relief**

Please encourage your club to reach out to your local food bank or church who are supporting those that are suffering food insecurity.

At our local Ella Curran Food Bank on Thursday, September 13th we will present them with a \$100,000.00 check for helping with the construction of their new building. This had a money match for the grant from LCIF with MD 36 clubs raising \$25,000.00 of the money. Big thanks to everyone out there that supported us in this process.

Locally our food bank is currently helping 400 - 600 families monthly.

PDG Steve Moser



To: District Governor Lion Carrie Bartley

From: Lions Laura & Brad King

Re: Childhood Cancer Up-Date, July, 2024

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Greetings!

There are a lot of events coming up to help sponsor the two (2) Children's Camps (for cancer patients) in Oregon: Camp Millennium in Southern Oregon and Camp UKANDU in the Metro Area.

- 1) Camp Millennium is hold two (2) fundraisers this Summer/Fall:
  - A) The "Old Fashioned Cake Walk" on August 3, 2024 at the Riversdale Grange, 4855 Garden Valley Rd., Roseburg, OR from 6pm-8pm.
  - B) "Millennium Magic" (actually facials, massages, etc.), Sept. 27, 2024 at the Buckaroo Barn, 5051 NE Stephens St., Roseburg, OR from 6pm-10pm.See [www.campmillennium.org](http://www.campmillennium.org) for further information.
  
- 2) Camp UKANDU also has several fundraisers this Summer:
  - A) Purchase any item from Chocolat-e now through 2024 and 10% of the proceeds come back to UKANDU! See [www.chocolat-e.com](http://www.chocolat-e.com).
  - B) The UKANDU Golf Tournament is Sept. 6, 2024 at Riverside Golf & Country Club in Portland. Golf Teams and Sponsorships are available at [www.ukandu.org](http://www.ukandu.org). See [www.ukandu.org](http://www.ukandu.org) for more information.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital continues to be a 4-Star charity according to Charity Navigator, with .82 cents of every dollar going to research. See [www.stjude](http://www.stjude) for opportunities for individual Lions or Lions Clubs to support St. Jude and their work combatting children's cancer.

The Asante Walk for Hope takes place on Saturday, October 25, 2024 in Medford, supporting the Mary & Dick Heimann Cancer Center. Please see [www.asantefoundation.org](http://www.asantefoundation.org) for more information.

And, for serious cyclists, The Candlelighters for Children with Cancer will hold their "Ride to Make a Difference", Sept. 8 through 13, 2024. Please see [www.candlelightersoregon.org](http://www.candlelightersoregon.org) for all Cabdlelighters information.

**District 36-R Q1 Cabinet Meeting Report**  
**District Information Technology Chairperson**  
**September 14, 2024**

Last year when I became the District-R IT Chairperson, I initially looked to the MD Policy Manual ITC section for guidance on fulfilling the position. Over the course of the year, it became apparent to me that the current policy manual section seemed a little outdated and didn't adequately layout the structure or scope of the committees to facilitate currently needed progress. My primary goal for this year is to update the ITC Policy Manual Section, and begin implementing some of the provisions in the new policy. A copy of the current policy section, and a draft of the proposed update, follows this report.

With some of the provisions of the proposed updated policy I hope to:

- Make it easier for, and encourage, ITC District Chairpersons to communicate
- Recruit more ITC members within districts to help with specific needs
- Better coordinate to facilitate other committee's IT service needs
- Be prepared to help Districts and Clubs take advantage of the main International supplied IT resource to them – the e-clubhouse free websites
- Coordinate and maintain access to all used social media and online platforms
- Preserve progress and pass it on to subsequent ITC members

**I'll leave this past report statement on this, and all future reports...**

**The biggest issue facing District 36-R Information Technology is, and always will be, getting information. The source of all information is human based. Without this initial communication of information from clubs, the technology platforms are irrelevant. All clubs should be continually encouraged to communicate using the online submission form, or direct email to [District36Rit@gmail.com](mailto:District36Rit@gmail.com)**

Respectfully,  
Lion David Nielson  
District Information Technology  
[District36Rit@gmail.com](mailto:District36Rit@gmail.com)  
[www.LionsDistrict36R.org](http://www.LionsDistrict36R.org)

## V-R — Information Technology Committee (ITC)

- I. Purpose:** To advise and aid the Council of Governors (COG), the four Districts, and individual clubs on the efficient and effective use of information technology.
- II. Specific Responsibilities:**
- A. To aid and instruct district officers, chairpersons and club officers in the use of the Internet for reporting membership and other pertinent information directly to Lions Clubs International (LCI).
  - B. To aid and instruct clubs on the use of the Internet, video conferencing (e.g., Zoom), and email, and to recommend ways to improve online security and maintain privacy.
  - C. To promote the use of electronic information dispersal and transfer for the purposes of timeliness, economy and conservation of natural resources.
  - D. To assist:
    - 1. Districts and clubs in setting up websites and social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and NextDoor.
    - 2. Districts and clubs in the use of email to communicate with clubs within the same District.
    - 3. The District Governors (DG) in setting up record keeping in the District.
- III. Committee Makeup:**
- A. Membership:
    - 1. This committee will consist of the IT chairperson from each District, who is appointed annually by the DG.
    - 2. One additional member (such as the MD Webmaster) may be appointed at the discretion of the COG.
  - B. Officers: The Council of Governors (COG) shall appoint one of the four district representatives to serve as the Chairperson.
- IV. Fiscal Responsibilities:** This committee handles no funds. The COG is responsible for funds and budgetary management.
- V. Meetings:**
- A. Regular:
    - 1. Should be held at least once yearly with that meeting being held at the Multiple District (MD) 36 Convention.
    - 2. Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the committee and may be done by email.
  - B. Special: May be called by the COG stating the time, place and purpose.
  - C. Voting:
    - 1. To constitute an official meeting of this committee, a quorum shall be defined as a majority (50% + 1) of the committee members for the purpose of transacting business.
    - 2. Each member present shall have one (1) vote on all matters.
  - D. Notices and agendas shall be sent to all members and Council Chairperson at least fifteen (15) days prior to meetings.
  - E. Minutes of meetings will be distributed to members and COG.

- VI. Reports:** A brief typed report will be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to COG meeting if requesting COG action. Otherwise, a report may be submitted (orally and/or written as requested by the COG) at MD36 Convention or at other COG meetings if requested by the COG.

Policy Revision History: (Added and dated as adopted by the COG)

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## V-R — Information Technology Committee (ITC)

- I. Purpose:** ~~To advise and aid the Council of Governors (COG), the four Districts, and individual clubs on the efficient and effective use of information technology.~~ To help advise the Council of Governors (COG) and District Governors on information technology matters, and to help advise and facilitate district committees and clubs with available information technology services.

### ~~II. Specific Responsibilities:~~

- ~~— A. To aid and instruct district officers, chairpersons and club officers in the use of the Internet for reporting membership and other pertinent information directly to Lions Clubs International (LCI).~~
- ~~— B. To aid and instruct clubs on the use of the Internet, video conferencing (e.g., Zoom), and email, and to recommend ways to improve online security and maintain privacy.~~
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  - ~~— 1. Districts and clubs in setting up websites and social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and NextDoor.~~
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- ~~— A. Membership:~~
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  - ~~— 2. One additional member (such as the MD Webmaster) may be appointed at the discretion of the COG.~~
- ~~— B. Officers: The Council of Governors (COG) shall appoint one of the four district representatives to serve as the Chairperson.~~

- ~~**IV. Fiscal Responsibilities:** This committee handles no funds. The COG is responsible for funds and budgetary management.~~

### ~~V. Meetings:~~

- ~~— A. Regular:~~
  - ~~— 1. Should be held at least once yearly with that meeting being held at the Multiple District (MD) 36 Convention.~~
  - ~~— 2. Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the committee and may be done by email.~~
- ~~— B. Special: May be called by the COG stating the time, place and purpose.~~
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  - ~~— 2. Each member present shall have one (1) vote on all matters.~~
- ~~— D. Notices and agendas shall be sent to all members and Council Chairperson at least fifteen (15) days prior to meetings.~~
- ~~— E. Minutes of meetings will be distributed to members and COG.~~



**II. Policy Application:** This policy governs the administration of both the MD36 ITC and each district ITC.

**III. Qualifications:** Committee members are not required to be experts. Some proficiency in the use of computer and online programs and platforms should be expected, though. Members should be willing to research and learn new tips, tricks, and best practices when possible.

**IV. Committee Structures:**

- A. District ITC – Each District Governor shall appoint a district ITC chairperson annually. The district ITC will consist of the district ITC chairperson and any other Lions the chairperson may recruit to assist with carrying out the IT needs of the district.
- B. MD36 ITC – The MD36 ITC will consist of the ITC chairperson from each of the districts. Additional members may be appointed at the discretion of the COG. The COG shall appoint one of the district ITC chairpersons to serve as the MD36 ITC chairperson.

**V. Committee Responsibilities:**

- A. District ITC:
  1. Establish and administer a district website using either an LCI-provided e-district website or a district-approved third-party site.
  2. In cooperation with the district’s Public Relations and Lions Information Committee, establish and administer a district Facebook page and other social media pages, as desired. Two full-access administrators must be kept on the Facebook page at all times.
  3. Advise clubs on the establishment and administration of club websites and social media pages, such as Facebook.
  4. Communicate and work with the district’s Public Relations and Lions Information Committee, other district committees, and the District Governor on the development and placement of website and social media content.
  5. Suggest and advise on other IT services that may benefit the administration of the district and clubs.
  6. Use standardizes platforms for official district accounts whenever possible, e.g., e-district websites, Google accounts for email and online documentation services (online forms, surveys, project spreadsheets, etc.).
- B. MD36 ITC – Facilitate communication of the district ITC chairpersons among themselves and with the COG.

**VI. Chairperson Responsibilities:**

- A. Ensure the goals and objectives of the ITC are carried out.
- B. Monitor and respond to all emailed inquires in a timely manner.
- C. Communicate directly with and assist the Public Relations and Lions Information Committee and other committees, when necessary.
- D. Seek and recruit additional qualified volunteers to help, as needed.
- E. Establish and maintain login credentials and full administrative access to all the websites, social media pages, and other online accounts and services that are the responsibility of that chairperson’s ITC. At the end of the Lions year, orient the next year’s ITC chairperson and transfer all account access to that person.

**VII. Fiscal Responsibilities:**

- A. No operating funds are budgeted for the MD36 ITC or any of the district ITCs.

B. Each district ITC must secure approval and funding from its District Governor before incurring any online fees, social media advertising, or any other program costs. Likewise, the MD36 ITC must secure approval and funding from the COG before incurring any of those costs.

### **VIII. Meetings:**

A. All ITC chairpersons shall attend their respective District Cabinet or MD36 COG quarterly meetings.

B. MD36 ITC members should have openly routine communications to ask questions and share ideas, tips, and best practices.

C. The MD36 ITC chairperson may hold in-person work sessions for specific training, if requested.

**VXI. Reports:** A brief typed report will be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to COG meeting if requesting COG action. Otherwise, a report may be submitted (orally and/or written as requested by the COG) at MD36 Convention or at other COG meetings if requested by the COG.

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## LCIF Report—District R Cabinet—September 14, 2024—PDG Dale Bachman

Since it was founded in 1968, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has awarded nearly 20,000 grants, and Lions worldwide have received more than US\$1.2 billion in grant funding. These numbers are only possible because of Lions and others who have made generous donations to the foundation. Every donation or pledge helps so much!

### GRANTS

LCIF has grants available in at least ten (10) different areas—Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Hunger, SightFirst, Leo Service, Lions Quest, Community Impact (DCG), Matching, Community Recovery, Disaster Preparedness, and Emergency.

- District and Club Community Impact Grants can be gained with a minimum \$5,000 club donation or a \$10,000 district donation.
- Disaster grants help Lions respond during all stages of disaster—immediate relief, long-term recovery and rebuilding, and preparation for disasters. Most disaster grants will be coordinated through District Governors (Disaster Preparedness, Emergency, and Community Recovery). Major Catastrophe Grants are awarded at the discretion of the international president and the LCIF chairperson.

In August 2024, the final SightFirst Advisory Committee meeting will take place, marking the last grants funded by Campaign SightFirst II. **Starting January 2025, grant requests will be reviewed by the Programs Committee during Board of Trustee' meetings in August, January, and May.**

Around October 1, 2024, Lions can apply for the new Vision Grant Program. This program will support major equipment per infrastructure expansion, and medical training in low and middle-income countries – all of which are core principles of the program.

### DONATIONS AND RECOGNITION

Every donation truly makes a difference when giving to LCIF. Visit [lionsclubs.org/WaystoGive](https://lionsclubs.org/WaystoGive) to note the QR code and see how you can give individually as a Lion member or nonmember, as a club, as a district, through company sponsorships, or legacy giving. If properly noted, donations will receive Melvin Jones Fellow credit.

A new recognition program for donors is available this year. Recognition varies by level of support and is available to individuals, clubs, districts, multiple districts, corporations, and other contributing partners.

- For individuals there is the Presidential LCIF Supporter pin recognition for donations of at least \$50 (bronze), \$100 (silver), \$200 (gold), and Leo Supporter minimum donation \$20.

- For clubs there is a new Presidential Club Giving Award which is an annual club giving patch based on the per-member giving average for the fiscal year. The five different levels range from \$50 per member average each year to \$1,000 per member average per year.
- For leaders, the LCIF Presidential Award for Goal Achievement is an annual recognition for district governors, district coordinators, council chairpersons, multiple district coordinators, and area leaders who have achieved 100 percent of the LCIF goal recognized by the foundation within a fiscal year. Recipients of this award must make a personal donation of at least \$50 to LCIF in the year they qualify to receive the medal.

Please note that LCIF's Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF), Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship (PMJF), and Humanitarian Partner recognition have not changed.

Increasing LCIF corporate engagement is one of the core strategic approaches for new growth. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) [lionsclubs.org/CSR](https://lionsclubs.org/CSR) is when a company plays a positive role in the community by supporting volunteering or ethical-oriented practices and considers the social impact of business decisions. Partner with corporations, foundations, and government to amplify and support Lions service projects, build brand awareness, and open the doors to new collaborative networks.

#### **LINKS TO LCIF**

LCIF Facebook

LCIF YouTube

LCIF Grants Toolkit [lionsclubs.org/grantstoolkit](https://lionsclubs.org/grantstoolkit)

LCIF Stories [lcifpride.org](https://lcifpride.org)

Lions Quest [lionsclubs.org/youth](https://lionsclubs.org/youth)

Ways to Give [lionsclubs.org/WaysToGive](https://lionsclubs.org/WaysToGive)

CSR Partnerships [lionsclubs.org/CSR](https://lionsclubs.org/CSR)

#### **CAMPAIGNS AND INITIATIVES**

In addition to grant funding, LCIF has a number of campaigns and initiatives including:

- Presidential LCIF Recognition (honors donors)
- Mission 1.5 (grow Lions membership)
- Sight for Kids (school eye-health with Johnson & Johnson partnership)
- New Voices Initiative (DGs select and nominate four New Voices in their district)
- LCIF Day (a day to help major needs)
- Lions Quest (for schools, communities, and homes)

## **Ken Wells Constitution & Bylaws Report ~ Q1 Cabinet Mtg Sept 2024**

Below is the link to the current Standard Form Club Policies and Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2024-2025:

[LCI Standard Club Constitution & Bylaws 2024-2025](#)

I would recommend each club in District 36R read and review this updated Standard Club Constitution and Bylaws, then review/update your club specific amendments you currently have on file.

Thanks,

Ken Wells

**Lion Ken Wells Policies & Procedures Report**  
**Q1 Cabinet Meeting 9/14/2024**

The Policies & Procedures that govern the Multi District were revised in May of 2024 by the MD36 Council of Governors.

This manual is found at the MD36 website  
<https://www.md36lionsclubs.org/policy-manual>

Thanks, Lion Ken Wells

## Chapter I — POLICY MANUAL

### I. General Statements Regarding the Council of Governors Policy Manual:

- A. Multiple District 36 (Oregon and Northern California) (MD36) is governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of LCI and MD36, and by the policies recorded in the International Board of Directors (IBD) Policy Manual.
- B. To improve the organization and administration of MD36, the Council of Governors (COG) will adopt and maintain a current and accurately revised “Multiple District 36 Council of Governors Policy Manual” (PM) which shall contain all policies established by the COG but which may not take precedence over the authority of those established by LCI.
- C. It shall be the responsibility of each MD36 committee chairperson to review annually the PM chapter referring to the chairperson's committee. At or prior to the second COG meeting of the year, recommended changes shall be submitted to the PM Committee (PMC) for review.
- D. The policy manual was developed by PCC Brenda Wilkinson and the PMC and adopted by the COG at a regular council meeting on March 20, 1982, by a majority vote, and became the governing policy for the administration of MD36 and its districts, Lions and Leos Clubs, and club members.
- E. Many of the policies in this Policy Manual specify that committees meet to conduct their business. In all cases these meetings may be in-person or via video conferencing (e.g., Zoom) or a combination of the two.

### II. Policy Manual Committee:

- A. Purpose:
  1. To maintain a concise Policy Manual for MD36.
  2. To ensure that the MD36 Policy Manual is in compliance with the Constitution and Bylaws of LCI, MD36, and the IBD Policy Manual.
- B. Specific Responsibilities:
  1. To present goals each year at the first Council of Governors (COG) meeting of the year. They are intended to act as guidelines for the functioning of the committee and will be reviewed during the year to assess progress in achieving said goals.
  2. To review all proposed changes to the manual. These proposed changes may be submitted by Lions Clubs in good standing, District committees, MD36 committees (including PMC), or a delegate from the floor at the MD36 Convention.
  3. To submit all reviewed changes to the COG for their consideration to accept, reject, or return to the PMC for modification.
  4. To incorporate all changes accepted by the COG into the Policy Manual.
  5. To redraft all changes that the COG returned for modification.
  6. To provide a copy of the appropriate chapter to each MD36 committee chair.
- C. Committee makeup:
  1. Four members, one from each of the 4 districts (O, R, E, and G), are appointed by the COG for a term of 1 year. Since continuity is essential, new members appointed to the committee should anticipate a multi-year commitment. It is recommended that only one member be replaced annually.
  2. Chairperson:
    - a. This person is appointed annually by the COG. However, the COG may delegate selection of a chairperson to the PMC.

- b. It is recommended that the Chairperson of the PMC have prior experience with the policy committee.
- D. Fiscal Responsibilities: None as the PMC handles no funds.
- E. Meetings:
  - 1. Two meetings are to be held annually:
    - a. Prior to or at the first COG meeting.
    - b. In conjunction with the annual MD36 Convention.
  - 2. Special meetings:
    - a. Special meetings may be called by the Committee Chairperson, or any two members of the committee, or by the Council Chairperson.
    - b. Special meetings may be called or accomplished by telephone, email, written communication, or video conference (e.g., Zoom, Google Meet, etc.).
    - c. Notices and agendas of meetings shall be emailed or mailed to the Council Chairperson 15 days prior to the regular COG meeting if there is any business to conduct.
    - d. Any action taken at the meetings shall be recorded and distributed to the COG members.
  - 3. Voting:
    - a. To constitute an official meeting of this committee, a quorum shall be defined as a majority (50 + 1) of the committee members for the purpose of transacting business.
    - b. Each member present shall have 1 vote on all matters.
- F. Reports: A typed report will be submitted 15 days prior to COG meeting requesting COG action. If making a verbal report at a regular COG meeting or at the MD36 Convention that will require no action of the COG, then a brief written report is also to be submitted.

### III. Policy Manual Amendments and Adoption:

- A. Both the International and MD36 Constitution and Bylaws and the International Board Policy shall take precedence over the MD36 Policy Manual should any conflicts arise.
- B. Change procedure:
  - 1. Routine:
    - a. Any proposed change may be introduced at any regularly scheduled COG meeting, with action being taken at a subsequent COG meeting. That action requiring a majority vote.
    - b. Any Lion group to be affected will be furnished the proposed policy change and given an opportunity to address the Council before vote for adoption.
  - 2. Urgent:
    - a. Any urgent changes proposed and accepted by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the COG at a regular or special meeting shall be provided to the PMC immediately following that meeting.
    - b. For informational purposes, the PMC shall report at the MD36 Convention any and all changes requested by the COG and changes made to the Policy Manual. If the COG requests, the committee may present proposed changes to the Policy Manual at that time.
    - c. Any Lion group affected by the change will be furnished minutes of the meeting, agenda of next meeting and allowed to address Council.
- C. Policy Manual changes will be identified as “Action Item” (passed, defeated, tabled, postponed) and will normally appear late on the agenda.
- D. Any policy revisions adopted will be dated and incorporated into the Policy Manual, replacing the appropriate chapter.



Policy Revision History: (Added and dated as adopted by the COG)

1. Original adopted by the COG, March 20, 1982
2. Reviewed, March 9, 1997
3. Reviewed/revised by the Policy Manual Committee, May 2002
4. Revision approved by the COG, March 5, 2004
5. Revision adopted by the COG, March 2011
6. Revision adopted by the COG, May 2014
7. Revision adopted by the COG, Oct. 2019
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## District R LEO Chairperson - 1st Quarter Report

September 14th, 2024

District R Cabinet,

My name is Cassidy Vassallo (formerly Lance); I am the former Mohawk Valley LEOs Club President (2014-2018), and the 2018 Mohawk Valley Lions Club scholarship recipient. Currently I am the Mohawk Valley Lions Club Secretary, District R - LEO Chairperson, and MD 36 - LEO Chairperson. Outside of Lions, I am a long time volunteer (16 years) of a rural branch of Food for Lane County, Helping Hand. At Helping Hand I am their Marketing Specialist, Fundraiser Coordinator, and Frozen Department Lead. I also volunteer for the Marcola Youth Center as needed at their events. Both of these other organizations are also supported by the Mohawk Valley Lions Club.

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### **District R Goals:**

Short term, I plan to encourage the current LEO Chairs and Advisors in Newport and Marcola to communicate, which will offer new ideas and club support across the district. With the hope that sharing support, communication, and ideas will bring more LEO advisors/volunteers, new LEO members into existing clubs, and new LEO curious kids into areas that do not have a LEOs Club already.

Long term, My ambition is that increasing the communication and support will aid in getting at least one new LEOs Club in the district ready to launch in the future.

We have 2 LEOs Clubs in District R: Newport and Marcola (Mohawk Valley). I did not receive a response from Newport when I reached out. For Marcola, Mohawk Valley LEOs Club (to my knowledge) has not had a meeting since I aged out as President in 2018.

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### **Marcola (Mohawk Valley)**

Created by Cassidy Vassallo with input from Tami Bonney.

Short term, The current LEO Advisor, Tami Bonney, is someone I worked with in LEOs when I was President and she was and is a teacher at the school I attended, Mohawk Middle/High

School (MHS). She and I plan to work side by side to establish meetings at MHS for the Mohawk Valley's LEOs 1st year "back". There are kids in said high school now that worked with us when I was President; who remember both of us, the fun times LEOs Club brought, and they want to join now.

In 2014-18 the club was only available to MHS students, a very small school. My graduating class I believe had 20 students, my sisters had just 5. During that time another school was working to be sponsored by the Marcola School District (MSD) named Teach Northwest (TNW). Which is now a highly sought after online charter school in our area.

There is a vast number of students in charter schools throughout Oregon looking for clubs and social interaction. They have a hard time finding local in person opportunities, as they are online schooled and most are not registering with their "home district" but through the charters sponsored school district. I know from experience as 1 of my children is in an online charter school. I am located in the Springfield School District but my son is enrolled into Oregon Charter Academy (ORCA) through the Santiam School District. Which makes it difficult for him to be a part of local clubs that are school aged based in our area.

Mohawk Valley Lions Club has many active members who are staff members of TNW and MHS. We are confident that the connections we have as a club and the memory students have of us, is enough for us to restart the LEOs Club. With it opening to two schools now, this will help us gain members and reach more children. We are looking to set a date in October for the first meeting, but need to wait for the local fall sports schedules to be posted prior to setting a date and time to ensure no interference with school activities.

In the past a big draw for children was a simple fundraiser of a dance or open gym with paid admission. We intend to do a similar approach to start with an event at the Marcola Youth Center and hope to build from there.

Long term, Our plan is by the next fiscal year we will host meetings at the Marcola Youth Center instead of MHS. Therefore opening up Mohawk Valley LEOs Club to all kids in the area regardless of school district. My personal aspiration is that by doing so we will find interested kids in communities surrounding Marcola. Which will give the opportunity for the Springfield, Eugene Bethel, Eugene Downtown, Junction City, or other surrounding Lions Clubs to form another LEOs Club in the Springfield/Eugene area and/or the Junction City/Harrisburg area.

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**Non-Response**

If there continues to be no response from LEO advisors I will contact the officers of the clubs. I intended to be vigilant and thorough in attempting to get these clubs in contact with one another along with those in MD 36 to help make all of us stronger in our mission of providing opportunities for youth. I hope to have positive progress to report to you in October.

Thank you for your time,

Cassidy Vassallo

Mohawk Valley Lions Club ~ Secretary

Lions Club District 36 ~ Multiple District LEO Chairperson

Lions Club District 36R ~ LEO Chairperson

Helping Hand ~ Frozen Food Department Lead; Marketing Specialist; & Fundraiser Coordinator

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## **Reading Action Programs—District R Cabinet—September 14, 2024**

### **Lion Judy Bachman**

I would like to focus on two major areas for this September Reading Action Programs Report—Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library and SMART Reading.

#### **Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library**

Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library is a book gifting program that sends books each month directly to your home until your child’s fifth birthday, for FREE! Families must live within a participating community. The program is generously funded through local non-profits, foundations, school districts, and individual donors.

The Imagination Library has been endorsed throughout Oregon since May 2024, and I want to encourage you to see the information available through the Oregon website, your local website, and the national website. The information can be easily obtained.

- Oregon Department of Early Learning and Care (DELIC) (Imagination Library)
- Eugene Public Library (links to ALL Lane County Imagination Library Affiliates initial contact)
- Imagination Library.com (with state, zip code, city, extensive Affiliate details)

#### **Lane County Affiliates—Imagination Library (Dolly Parton)**

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**Community:** Blachly, Cheshire, Coburg, Cottage Grove, Creswell, Deadwood, Dexter, Dorena, Elmira, Florence area, Junction City, Lorane, Mapleton, Marcola, Noti, Pleasant Hill, Oakridge, Veneta, Walton, Westfir and MORE

**Affiliate:** [United Way of Lane County](#)

**To Register:** Online Registration Form Above

**Phone:** 541-357-5716

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**Community:** Blue River, Leaburg and Vida

**Affiliate:** [McKenzie Education Foundation](#)

**To Register:** Learn more [HERE](#)

**Phone:** 541-822-3970

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**Community:** Eugene

**Affiliate:** [Eugene Public Library Foundation](#)

**To Register:** Online Registration Form Above

**Phone:** 541-682-5450

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**Community:** Fall Creek and Lowell

**Affiliate:** Lowell, Fall Creek Education Foundation

**To Register:** Learn more [HERE](#)

**Phone:** 541-937-3759

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**Community:** Springfield

**Affiliate:** [Springfield Young Readers](#)

**To Register:** Online Registration Form Above

**Phone:** 541-357-8368

**Prefer to complete a paper registration form?** Download the form below and return it by fax to: 541-726-4150, emailing to [education@unitedwaylane.org](mailto:education@unitedwaylane.org), or by mailing to:

United Way of Lane County  
Attn: Imagination Library  
3171 Gateway Loop  
Springfield, OR 97477

[English Version](#) | [Spanish Version](#)

**Questions?** Contact [education@unitedwaylane.org](mailto:education@unitedwaylane.org) or 541-357-5716.

### **More Information**

An example of how helpful the websites can be, following is information from the Eugene Public Library website:

- Imagination Library of Eugene is open to all Eugene mailing addresses. No library card is needed.
- For children in Eugene, Imagination Library is coordinated by Eugene Public Library and funded by Eugene Public Library Foundation. Donations are welcome to [help support Imagination Library of Eugene](#).
- All addresses in Lane County are eligible to join Imagination Library through the support of a network of local affiliates. [Learn more about local affiliates](#).
- Learn more about [how Imagination Library works](#) nationally and internationally.

### **SMART Reading**

Please note that Laurie McNichols is no longer the South Valley Area Director with SMART Reading. Laurie now works within the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program for the State of Oregon.

The current South Valley SMART Reading contact is Tanja Petal, Program Manager, [tpetal@smartreading.org](mailto:tpetal@smartreading.org) . **The South Valley office is actively seeking a new Area Director serving Lane, Benton, and Linn counties.** In the 2023-24 school year, South Valley SMART Reading served 896 PreK through third-grade students and gave away 10,799 books.  
**South Valley Office:** Physical Address: 500 Main St., Suite B Springfield, OR 97477  
Mailing Address: PO Box 1378, Springfield, OR 97477; Phone: 541-600-8035

**South Valley SMART Wishlist:** Sturdy wood bookcases, large wire shelving units, carts on wheels, heavy duty banker's boxes.

### **South Valley SMART Reading:**

- Looking for more reading coordinators
- Looking for more readers
- Distributing books (If there are not reading coordinators and SMART readers, only books can be distributed)
- Having book drives
- Sending out a South Valley newsletter

- Accepting donations to local chapters or schools
- Participating in United Way Day of Caring in Springfield, Cleaning books September 26 and 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day
- Thanking the SMARTies for SMART Reading (monthly givers)

### **SMART Reading Leadership Council:**

SMART Reading Leadership Councils are groups of individuals who help SMART Reading flourish in our local communities through fundraising and recruitment. The South Valley Area Leadership Council members are Eric Ikenouye (Linn County), Mara McManus (Benton County), Megan Burrows (Lane County), Megan Temple (Lane County), and Xan Augerot (Benton County).

### **Looking Ahead**

#### **Reading Action Programs—Goals for 2024-2025**

- Contact the SMART Reading directors who serve ALL the counties of Lions District R,
- Update information from both the Eugene and Springfield Public libraries,
- Share reading program information from other Lions districts,
- Bring forth any other pertinent reading news.

Lions of District R audience, what information about reading programs and/or reading helps can you share?

Steve Moser  
Scouting Chair Report  
Q1 Cabinet Mt Sept 2024

School has started and units are starting to work on fall fundraising and planning for next year and summer activities. Reach out to them if you are a sponsor or supporter and see what you can do to help them.



## Bruce Schnieber – Camp Report – Q1 Cabinet Mtg. September 2024

Gales Creek Summer Camp 2024 season has come to an end! The campers had a blast this past summer and want to thank the incredible staff this summer who made it all possible!

Those Lions of MD36 who volunteered at the Camp Cleanup the first Saturday in June should celebrate their volunteer effort! Service from the Heart!re

Zone Chair Report  
Region 2, Zone 1  
Edwena Matychuck  
September 12, 2024

#### ALVADORE LIONS CLUB

Alvadore conducted two barbeques in June and July. They met all three months.

#### EUGENE BETHEL LIONS CLUB

They have completed one of their Barbeques. The last one will be a one day only on September 9. They have met through the summer with 2 meetings each month. The club is preparing for eye screening.

#### CENTRAL LINN LIONS CLUB

Central Linn met June and no meetings a potluck meeting in August. The meeting at the Hellers oversaw judging of the parade on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Two members of the Eugene Bethel Lions club helped with July 23<sup>rd</sup> Blue Berry Pie eating contest was done by the club. They are getting ready for the Poinsettia sales.

#### JUNCTION CITY LIONS CLUB

The Junction City Lions club only had one meeting in June and no meeting in July and August. They held a fundraising breakfast at the Coburg Classics car show and worked with the Soroptimists at the Scandinavian Festival, both in August. They also posted US flags for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and during the festival. They will resume daily school crosswalk duty and will have a chicken BBQ fundraiser on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

# Lions of Oregon MD-36R

## Finance Report for Cabinet Meeting – September 14, 2024

### A Brief Overview:

#### The General Fund:

Dues seem to be coming in fine. No other activity.

#### Convention Fund:

Zero activity.

#### Opportunity for Youth Fund:

Zero Activity.

#### Sight and Hearing Emergency Fund:

Zero Activity since last report.

#### Lions Quest Grant:

Zero Activity. Any monies not spent will be returned to LCIF.

#### Empowering Service Fund:

Zero Activity. Currently at Zero – All Funds remitted to LCIF.

#### Club Disaster Relief Donation Fund:

Zero Activity since last report.

#### LCIF Disaster Preparedness Grant - \$10,000:

\$7,457.68 paid out since last report. \$2,542.32 left in Fund.