

Between the Lions

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Springfield Lions Club, 36 R

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**SPRINGFIELD LIONS
CLUB—Since 1950**

Meet Every Monday
12:05 to 1:00 p.m.

Roaring Rapids Pizza
4006 Franklin
Eugene, Oregon

A Busy **SPRING** for Springfield Lions!

2025 RAFFLE

The drawing for the 2025 Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation Raffle will be on June 30! You need not be present to win. This year the net proceeds will benefit Candlelighters (For Children with Cancer) and the Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation 501©3 EIN 84-2714763. The many prizes include two \$1,000 Grand Prizes from Jerry's! Tickets are \$5 each or five tickets for \$20. You may purchase tickets from any Springfield Lion and find out more information about the raffle from Lion Henry at 541-554-5958. Go to <https://www.springfieldorlions.com> or <http://facebook.com/springfieldlions>



**RAFFLE TICKETS
AVAILABLE NOW!**
<https://www.springfieldorlions.com>

YOUR SERVICE REPORTS ARE IMPORTANT!

DEADLINE FOR 2024-25 LION YEAR --JULY 15, 2025 TO JUDY POTTER

Club Secretary Judy Potter will gladly receive your service reports and miles each month.

ROAD CLEAN UP

A tremendous “dedicated crew” of Springfield Lions did Road Clean Up on a Saturday to help beautify the area. Thanks to all for the hard work . . . and fun! Lion Susan Pfanner (District R Cabinet Environmental Rep) provided Environment pins for the Springfield Lions who participated in road clean up.



SPRINGFIELD LIONS BOARD OFFICERS 2024- 2025

President Monica Henkle ... **1st VP** Henry Miller ... **2nd VP** Judy Bachman
Secretary Judy Potter ... **Treasurer** Paul Pevehouse ... **Past President** Darrell Scott
Lion Tamers Ross Isbell & Ginger Rogers ... **Tail Twister** Lee Wacker
1 yr. Director Dale Bachman, Linda Berry
2 yr. Director Ross Isbell, John Vogt



We Serve

CALENDAR OF PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE EVENTS

MARCH 2025

Focus: Women & Eye Donor Awareness Month

3 – Speaker, Joe Skordahl, Lane County Search & Rescue
 3 – Visitation, Junction City, 6 p.m.
 7 – Flags, Maple Elementary
 8 – Road Cleanup, 9 a.m.
 10 – *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for April issue)
 12 – Visitation, Mohawk Valley
 13 – Flags, Deliver to specific schools
 15 – District R Cabinet, Albany
 17 – Speaker, Catherine Ashcraft, Sanipac
 17 – Board meeting
 19 – Flags, Two Rivers—Dos Rios Elementary
 21 – Lions Day at the United Nations (New York)
 24 – Speaker, Manny Guenduley & Megan Burr, Wilkins Coffee and Unseelie Chocolates
 25 – Visitation, Bethel
 31 – Speaker, Tracy Kribs, Willamalane Adult Activity Center

APRIL 2025

Focus: Environmental / Family & Friends / Leo Club Awareness Month

2 – Visitation, Eugene Downtown
 7 – Speakers, 1VDG Karen Norton & Lion Jim Origliosso
 7 – Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 6 p.m.
 8 – Flags, Delivery to select school
 9 – Flags, Thurston Elementary
 10 – *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for May issue)
 10 – Visitation, Cottage Grove
 13 – Todd Slack's Birthday
 14 – Marjory Bartholomew's Birthday
 14 – Speaker, Reilly Newman, Coast Fork Watershed Council
 14 – Board meeting
 15 – Flags, Walterville Elementary
 21 – Speaker, Cynthia, Hope and Safety Alliance2
 23—May 3 Mission to Mexico—Vision and Health Clinic

MAY 2025

Focus: Strengthen Membership

1—4 – NW Lions Leadership Institute, Post Falls, ID
 5 – Speaker, Caitlan Caldwell, FOOD for Lane County
 7 – Lions Day at the Capitol (Salem)
 10 – *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for June issue)
 10 – Plant Sale for Mother's Day
 12 – Speaker, Seth Holland, DMD, Mount Pisgah Family Dental
 13 – Flags, Guy Lee Elementary
 14 – Flags, Douglas Gardens Elementary
 15 – OLSHF Trustee meeting, Pendleton 9-Noon; Council of Governors meeting, Pendleton, 1:30 p.m.
 16 – Ken Long's Birthday
 16 & 17—MD36 State Convention, Pendleton @ the Convention Center. Speaker is ID Hans J. Neidhardt (wife Shari) from Potwin, KS
 18 – PDG Association meeting
 19 – Board meeting
 27 – Rod Taguchi's Birthday

JUNE 2025

Focus: Installation of Club Officers

1 – Linda Carnine's Birthday
 2 – Eyeglass Sorting Party, Keizer Lions Hall, 6 p.m.
 2 – OLSHF Trustee Retreat, details TBA
 10 – *The Oregon Lion* article deadline (for July/August issue)
 21 – District R Cabinet meeting, Yachats, 10 a.m.
 23 – Board meeting
 27 – **Helen Keller's Birthday (1880)**
 30 – Springfield Lions Club Awards and Installation, 5 p.m.

Coming up!

July 4—8, 2025

Lions Clubs International Convention, Orlando, FL

September 18—20, 2025

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Atlantic City, NJ

FUNDRAISING & PROJECT CHAIRPERSONS:

Official Greeter:

Lee Wacker

Sight & Hearing:

Ginger Rogers and Larry Barnett

Eyeglass Collection:

Lee Wacker

Highway Clean-up:

Henry Miller

Plant Sale:

Ross Isbell, Lee Wacker, Judy Potter
 Darrell Scott

Speakers:

Larry Barnett

Golf Tournament:

Paul Pevehouse

Flags for 1st

Graders:

Judy Bachman & Dale Bachman

Newsletter:

Dale Bachman & Judy Bachman

Photography:

Henry Miller

Raffle:

Judy Potter & Henry Miller

Vision Screening:

Monica Henkle

Cans & Bottles:

Henry Miller

Wellness &

Kindness:

Linda Berry

Scholarships:

Monica Henkle

Lions Magazine:

Hanalei Rozen

Christmas Parade:

Monica Henkle

Historian:

Henry Miller & Monica Henkle

Membership:

All Lions

VISITATIONS

Members of the Springfield Lions made several visitations this Spring—Junction City, Mohawk Valley, Bethel, and Cottage Grove. Visits to clubs are always fun. It's a time to see fellow Lions, to sell raffle tickets, and to gain knowledge about what's happening in their areas. It's a time for learning and fellowship!

FLAGS FOR FIRST GRADERS

In 2025, all twelve (12) elementary schools of Springfield School District 19, including 671 first graders, received flags before May 15. Each first grader received a flag stand, an American flag, and a brochure about the history of the flag. Each first-grade teacher received a Lions brochure, a Lion bookmark, and a raffle flyer, in case they wanted to purchase tickets to our fundraiser (which highlights Candlelighters and children with cancer this year), or to help us advertise! Springfield School District 19 Superintendent Todd Hamilton, Director of Communications and



Community Engagement, Brian Richardson, and all of the elementary school administrators have received a hearty Lions Thank You for participating in this important program. A survey was also sent to each elementary school to help Lions fine-tune the program for next year. The Springfield Lions were delighted to receive letters from the first-grade students at

Douglas Gardens Elementary in which they wrote how they appreciated their flags, Lions helping them with their eyesight in the Fall, and Lions helping within the community. The students wrote sweet and thoughtful letters. Thank you, Douglas Gardens Elementary!



CONGRATULATIONS, LION PAUL PEVEHOUSE!

Lion Paul Pevehouse was presented a Certificate of Appreciation by Lion President Monica Henkle for his extensive work with the new website for Springfield Lions. Congratulations, Paul! Springfield Lions appreciate your work getting the website planned and running!!

SEE UPDATES TO THE SPRINGFIELD WEBSITE!

<https://www.springfieldorlions.com>

Please explore the website and see how it can help you share Lions with others.

SPRINGFIELD LIONS / CASA PARTNERSHIP

The Springfield Lions Club partners with CASA of Lane County to create increased visibility of Lions for new members and communication of the Lions vision. CASA of Lane County receives increased visibility from the Springfield Lions through communication of CASA's programs. We are stronger together!

DISTRICT R CABINET MEETING “NEWS”

(March 15, 2025)

- District 36R now has a registered YouTube channel.
- Training for Club Officers and Zone Chairs will be in June 14 and August 2. There may also be some training via Zoom.
- Constant Contact will be coordinated by Jennifer Brewster at MD36 in 2025. OLSHF will be paying for this service.
- The school vision screenings in Oregon reached 191,000 students this Lion year.
- The Disaster Preparedness Project will have a training in May and an in-person drill on June 14.
- Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library now has available braille books for low-vision people up to age 6.
- The SMART Reading students’ favorite book award winner for 2025 is *The Red Jacket* by Bob Holt. The winner in 2024 was *Not A Box* by Antoinette Portis, and 2023 *Chalk* by Bill Thomson
- SMART Reading has three major fundraisers in March. Watch for them in 2026!
- The low-vision support group in Eugene meets the first Saturday of every month. See Susan Pfanner for details.



DISTRICT R CABINET REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE

www.LionsDistrict36R.org Next Cabinet meeting is on June 21, 2025, in Yachats.

MOTHER’S DAY PLANT SALE



A beautiful day and beautiful plants for sale with a hard-working Lions crew made for a very successful Mother’s Day Plant Sale in early May. Thanks to all!



MISSION TO MEXICO—VISION AND HEALTH CLINIC

From April 23 to May 3, 2025, a group of Lions traveled to Mexico for a vision and health clinic. Our own Lion President Monica Henkle and DG Linda Stent were among those Lions. We haven’t heard all of the stories yet from this service adventure! Thanks to everyone who helped make this clinic possible.



MD36 CONVENTION—PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER

The 2025 MD36 Lions Convention was held in Pendleton, OR at the Pendleton Convention Center. MD36 events began on Thursday, May 15, with a morning meeting for the OLSHF Trustees and an afternoon meeting for the Lions Council of Governors (COG). The MD36 Convention days were Friday and Saturday, May 16 and 17. The Past District Governors Association (PDG) met early on Sunday, May 18. Pendleton Mayor McKennon McDonald welcomed the Lions and shared her pride in Pendleton with many interesting facts and city accomplishments. The LCI guest speaker this year was International Director (ID) Hans Neidhardt from Kansas, and his wife Shari was a seminar presenter. A Celebration of Life held on Friday honored those Lions who died since last year. As always, it was a solemn, tender time. The convention food buffets were well placed and generous, and service was efficient. Convention displays welcomed folks to learn about OLSHF, emergency planning, Lion pins, our ID candidate Phyllis Carlin, the picture contest, raffle baskets, and the Eye Promise Trunk Show, and more. Seminar topics included Artificial Intelligence (AI), Delegating, A Cancer Project (with Shari, the ID's wife), Listening, Leadership, Fun in Meetings, Lions Portal Help, and Eyeglass Sorting. Selected Lions (i.e., PDG Dale Bachman) were interviewed for the Lions Keeping Memories Alive series to keep a history of Oregon Lions. The District Governor Reports of the Year in Review were very informative and touching. Impressive and extremely moving was the Lions response in District G to the flooding in Burns and how Lions and the community worked together. Hats off to DG Pete Runnels and



District G! Friday evening was the OLSHF Hall of Fame induction. The 2025 inductees are Red Rowley, Forest Grove; Phyllis Carlin,



Crooked River; and Bill Branham (posthumously) Jacksonville.

Recognitions came in several forms, and Springfield Lion Henry Miller was presented a commemorative coin from ID Neidhardt for his dedication and hard work throughout the convention event days. Following are **Congratulations to MD36 State Convention award winners from District 36-R!**

- Springfield Lions Club, best newsletter
- Cottage Grove Lions Club, best brochure
- Newport Lions Club, best Facebook page
- Eugene Downtown Lions Club, best flyer
- West Salem Lions Club, best community & cultural event
- Junction City Lions Club, best website
- AND Lion Jan Wilbur of Florence –Siuslaw was awarded with an International President's Leadership Medal



2025-2026 PEACE POSTERS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE (ALREADY!)

Contact Lion TiAnne Rios of the Newport Club for more information

GOLF TOURNEY FUN



Springfield Lions Larry Barnett and John Vogt had a GREAT day playing in the Mohawk Valley Golf Tournament held on May 30, 2025 at Pine Ridge Golf Club. Lion Henry Miller took pictures! It was a beautiful day for birdies and one-putts among friends and other Lions! What a fun day for a great cause!



LIONS 36R DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Many Lions attended onsite training for disaster on May 31 and then participated in a full-scale exercise on June 14 to be better prepared in the event of a disaster. Lion Jim Origliosso coordinated this preparation. Did your club participate in this training?

COLLECTING CANS AND BOTTLES

Thanks to all who help collect cans and bottles for recycling. Lion Henry Miller has been busy this Spring! Part of the money from this project is shared with veterans and Honor Flights. Keep up the good work Lions, family, and friends!

FANTASTIC SPEAKERS!

Thanks to Lion Larry Barnett (and others?) for finding and scheduling the fantastic speakers we've had this year! GREAT job!

DO YOU SHOP AT FRED MEYER?

Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation, our club's 501c3, is now part of the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. Our Foundation can receive a small amount of money from Fred Meyer when individuals who have enrolled in the Fred Meyer Rewards Program, and have designated the Foundation to receive rewards, make purchases at Fred Meyer.



- Here's how it works:
- Customers must have a registered Fred Meyer Rewards card. If you don't have a Rewards card, you can register for one at the Fred Meyer customer service desk.
- Then visit <https://www.fredmeyer.com> and log into your account. New users will first need to create an account. Once you have an account and are logged in, you can scroll down to the bottom and go into the Fred Meyer Community Rewards section. From there you can link your card to an organization, and either search for Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation by name or type in NX987, which is the Foundation's NPO (non profit organization) number for the program. Then click Enroll. If you are already supporting another organization through the Rewards program, you can switch to the Oregon Springfield Lions Foundation program if you choose.
- **IMPORTANT:** *At check-out, you must either swipe your registered Fred Meyer Rewards card, or enter the phone number that is attached to that Rewards card, for your purchase to count toward the Foundation receiving any money.*

OLSHF 2025 GOLF CLASSIC

The OLSHF 2025 Golf Classic on June 23 will have an early afternoon shotgun start at Langdon Farms Golf Club, Aurora, OR. The Premier Sponsor for the Classic is Applied Underwriters. Player gifts and prizes are valued at over \$60,000! Wow! Hope you signed up!

Northwest Lions Leadership Institute, Post Falls, ID, May 1—4, 2025

Who went? Perhaps they could speak with our club to share their experiences.

The Lions of MD36 and MD19 will join in leadership training to help improve leaders' abilities to prepare for new challenges, opportunities and responsibilities. The curriculum is meaningful and timely for Lions of all experience levels, whether you're a new Lion or considering the challenges of Zone Chair or District Governor. For more information or to apply, contact PCC Rod Bach or CC Lynn Coon. Oregon Lions must apply through Lion Rod or Lion Lynn. Oregon has received a grant to help reduce the cost. See *The Oregon Lion* magazine, February 2025 for details.

REMEMBER .. please .. Encourage the following:

- **Eyeglasses and hearing aid collections**
- **Bottles and Cans and Tabs collections**
- **Have a Springfield Lions brochure?**
- **Have a Springfield Lions bookmark?**
- **Have a Lions application?**
- **Have a need for reading glasses—for FREE!**