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Rae Anne Randall -Administration

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Golombek, Tucker

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Gantenbein, All Club Members

VICTORIA SAGER - ACTIVITIES

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Erickson, Kent

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RECYCLING

Erickson

WHITE CANES

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PARTICIPATION BY ALL MEMBERS ON ALL WORK PROJECTS

Meeting every Wed – Bremerton Elks Lodge – 12:15 - 4131 Pine Rd NE –bremertonlions.com

President – Wyn Birkenthal

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Proteau, Margie Torbron

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – TWO YEARS

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Ron Morse

FOUNDATION BOARD

Henry Marcotte - President

Patty Lent- Vice Pres.

Bob Battin - Treasurer

Ron Morse – Secretary

Jeff Reynolds, Wayne Olsen,

Jim Thatcher

IS IT SUMMER YET?

Who says we don't have summer in Puget Sound? We must have had a full week of it, scattered throughout the calendar!

Summer? Really---and just in time for Lions to start their fall busy season (as if we're not busy the rest of the year). While it seems summer just arrived, all Lions in Bremerton are looking forward to, and working toward, our annual Seafood Dinner and Auction, Blackberry Festival and a myriad of other activities that keep us occupied and working hard.

GOODBY TO STUDENTS FROM KURE

First, of course, we must say farewell to the visiting students from Kure, Japan. That happens August 21 (that's a Sunday) at the waterfront residence of Tom and Katie Proteau in Illahee. A Shuttle car will pick people up at Perry Avenue Mall beginning at 5 pm and run every 15 minutes until all guests are delivered. This arrangement was made because it has worked well in the past and eliminates the problem of parking where car space is limited, or non-existent. Dinner is scheduled for 5:30, so it is important to be on time for the shuttle. The students are a charming bunch, full of creative energy and are eager to learn as much as they can before they leave. They have been here since late July. Come bid them a proper farewell.

BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL AND LABOR DAY

Here it comes---the big Fall festival that fills Bremerton Boardwalk with people for three solid days! It's the opportunity for Bremerton Central Lions to sell their, by now, famous "slugs"---a confection made up of blackberry jam-filled maple bar type pastry that is finished with a good coating of powdered sugar. This is not for the faint-of-heart or diabetics, but is a treat folks come from far and wide to devour. There are regular fans who come from all over western Washington just to eat a blackberry slug. Lions work hard filling, sugaring and wrapping these delicacies for the three days. Carolyn McClurkan has the on-going responsibility of chairing this event and is looking to fill her calendar of two-hour slots for that three days. If you haven't signed up yet, it's a lot of fun and you get to become more acquainted with your fellow Lions while doing it. Call Carolyn at 377-2697, or see her at Lions meetings, to sign up for a spot at having a great time. That's September 3, 4 and 5. Get a taste of Bremerton. There are other things to see and buy while you are there. This is the only chance in the entire year when you can meet your community members on the waterfront.

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LIONS PARK---IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME COMING BUT WHAT A GREAT EVENT IT WILL BE!

Lions, and the rest of Bremerton, have gone a long time without use of our Lions Park in East Bremerton, but the work is almost over and the park will be ready for action soon. Opening day is September 9 and our own current King Lion and his City Park Staff have been the moving force behind a new, and innovative, park that all of Kitsap County will enjoy for a long time.

Our own club had a taste of things to come in early August when we had the club picnic in our very own shelter, and could see some of the improvements. It is going to be beautiful and the children's section will be a particular attraction to everyone who visits the park after the opening. **SEE YOU THERE!**



**Lions Community Park Opening Celebration
Friday, September 9th @ 3 pm.**



Lions Community Park • 251 Lebo Boulevard, Bremerton
Bremerton Parks and Recreation Department • 360.473.5305



“RAISE THE ROOF” – WE’RE BUILDING A HOUSE!

How often do we get to feel truly important? For some of us it only happens once in a great while. For Bremerton Central Lions, it’s going to happen at a black tie event September 23 at 7 pm at the Fairgrounds. They call it a “gala” and it truly is just that. As the primary sponsor of Habitat for Humanity’s latest venture, our Bremerton Central Lions Charitable Foundation has brought us to this point. The dinner and entertainment will kick off the project that evening honoring Bremerton Central Lions and hearing speaker, and football great, Terry Bradshaw.

At 6:00 pm, before the main event, the primary sponsor and guests (that’s us!) will be given the opportunity to attend a private reception with the celebrity guest and local VIP’s. Doors will then open at 6:30 and the general public will be welcomed to tour replicated staged rooms of a Habitat home. Large auction items will be placed in these rooms for viewing. The bar will open at 6:30 and dinner will begin at 7:45. Terry Bradshaw will speak immediately following opening ceremonies at 8:pm. A live auction will include 10-15 large ticket items and will begin at 9 pm. Closing ceremonies will include the announcement of total funds generated and name of the winner of a surprise ticket item.

That’s a full evening and Foundation President Henry Marcotte will be in contact with members our club to attend and represent the club and the Foundation. Say “yes” when Henry calls.

The Foundation has received a grant from Bremerton Housing Authority and that grant, with matching funds from the Foundation, is earmarked for the project. As primary sponsor, and partner with Habitat for Humanity, our Club and Foundation will enjoy great visibility and advertising throughout the community. It is a responsibility and an honor to be a part of this project.

The structure, to be built in Suquamish, will be the first Habitat house that is planned to be “Green Friendly” and is destined to set an example for the future of home construction. We will be meeting and getting well-acquainted with the recipients and future home-owners, Shanee, Anthony and son Julian. The home will be the ninth Habitat home located in the Suquamish community.

A week before Christmas, the family received the news that they had been accepted to build a Habitat home. They called it “the best present ever!”

We should be proud to be a part of this project.

IT'S SEAFOOD AND AUCTION TIME AGAIN

Freshen up your best dress and suit for the 2011 Auction and Seafood dinner!

It is scheduled for October 8 at the Admiral Theater, as always.

And, as always, the entire club is encouraged to participate, especially in procuring items to be held at auction. It is hoped to be one of the best by all those who have been working and planning all year.

Jim Gantenbein, a relatively new member, has been holding meetings 7 am because he has such a demanding life the rest of the day and evening. Many other club members have been working constantly to enlist sponsors, raise awareness and solicit auction items that are worthy of our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Every year we select a local organization, with an expressed need for assistance, to benefit from our auction. Past years have benefitted the Harrison Medical Center, Boys and Girls clubs, Literacy Council, Bremerton School District and, of course, Lions Park, just to name a few.

This year, the dinner and auction will benefit Harrison Medical Center's Intensive Care Family Gathering Place where the waiting room environment is hoped to be friendlier and less stressful. Waiting for information about an ill family member can be an extreme strain on those who are on the waiting end. Plans are in place to make it much easier to bear. Our Auction will contribute to the comfort of those who must spend time in that room.

While raising those funds necessary to help, we can enjoy a pleasant evening with friends and a great meal. Remember that this is a fund raiser and that items for the auction come primarily from businesses and from members of the community. They should bring top prices and be honored for their value.

Donations are requested and come in the form of products, services, gift certificates, travel and so forth. There are many ways to contribute to the final result from the auction.

To make a donation, buy a ticket or request information contact the following Lions:

Mike Peterson-----360-698-03369

Jeff Reynolds-----360-478-7906

James Gantenbein----360-373-7728

Other Lions will help, as well. Almost any Lion will respond to an offer for a donation to the live auction, silent auction, or just asking for information.

All club members need to get involved. There is a lot of work to be done by October 8

What else has been going on? A lot! Many Lions attended the International Lions Conference in Seattle this year and declared it a great success. All Seattle certainly knew Lions were in town.

Our annual picnic has been held---back in our own shelter in Lions Park. More on that story will come after the grand opening of the park.

We also entertained the visiting exchange students from Kure, Japan

Some of us have been busy travelling and have many stories to share. But the future is a busy one and we will all need to work together to make this year one of the biggest ever.

Following is a calendar of coming activities:

AT A GLANCE

AUGUST 2011

24 Regular Club Meeting

31 Regular Club Meeting

SEPTEMBER 2011

3-5 Blackberry Festival and "Slug" Sales

7 Regular Club Meeting

9 Lions Park Official Re-Opening

11 9-11 Ceremony, Evergreen Park

12 Zone Cabinet Meeting

13 Club Board Meeting

14 Regular Club Meeting

15 Foundation Board Meeting

19 LERC Visitation

21 Regular Club Meeting

21 Basket Assembly Party (see Mary Garguile or Denise Zaske)

22-24 USA/Canada leadership forum

23 Habitat for Humanity "Raise the Roof"

28 Regular Club Business Meeting

28 Basket Assembly Party

OCTOBER 2011

3 Zone Cabinet Meeting

5 Basket Assembly Party

8 Seafood Dinner and Auction

11 Club Board Meeting

12 Regular Club Meeting

13-15 MD-19 Annual Convention, Yakima