**Why We Need Members**

We need to continue to gain new members that can help us on our projects. We have an opportunity to continue to be a viable part of our great community but need more people to increase what we accomplish. Our Tree Sale was a prime example of needing additional help. It was fantastic the way we all came out to unload the truck but once we started selling the trees we were a little short handed, especially on the weekends. Our chair and a few extremely dedicated Lions worked way to many shifts to make this project a huge success. Imagine if we had ten more members and these people all worked at least one shift a weekend at the tree sale? That would mean that everyone would be able to have some time off.

If we had ten new members we would be able to take on some additional projects to help our community even further. However, currently we cannot take on to many more projects. If we do we run the risk of burning our members out and this is not something that we really want to do. Yes we want to be busy but we really don’t want to be overwhelmed. Currently we have a few people doing a lot. What we really need is for some more people to step up and take a possible leadership role, be it a project chair, board member or a co-chair. Currently we have a need for someone to work with Lion Dave to take over the sight program.

So the bottom line is that we need to continue to get new members in our club. Remember to get one you need to ask one.
Upper Left Lion Anne and friends helping to unload the Christmas Tree s. Upper Right Lion Amy’s daughter Kaitlyn and friend unloading trees. Center Left 2nd VDG Ron talking about the changing face of Lions. Right Lion Dave and Terri at the tree sale.
Upper Left: Newest member Gale, Center: Lion Gale and her sponsor Lion Mike. Upper right Lions Terri, Gale and Jank at the Breakfast. Lower Left: Lions Jacob, Jerry and Jank cooking breakfast.
Lions News and Notes

Jobs and Promotions: Lion Terri Soliz received a promotion at work. She is now the Claims coordinating manager for her department. Congratulations Terri. **Lion Erica Hilderbrant** was offered the new job at St. Josephs hospital and when she gave her notice at her current job they offered a nice promotion to an executive assistant to the company CEO. Needless to say she is staying at her previous company. Congratulations Erica.

**Lion Dave Hildebrant** is working for the City of Bonney Lake as a consultant for their current road construction project. Lion Dave just keeps failing retirement on a regular basis.

**Lion Neil Gruchalla** had his son Ryan and his wife and son visit from California for Christmas. Ryan even helped a little bit with the trailer removal from the tree sale.

**Lion Brian O’Bannon** family came up and visited him at Thanksgiving and then he went down their for Christmas. Brian’s Dad Dick even came down and helped set up the lot at the tree sale.

**Lion John Budzak Jr’s** daughter Jessica was accepted into graduate school and will be starting her Masters Program in Elementary Education and Curriculum Development. Congratulations to Jessica.

Recruiting new members

In the bulletin we have been saying we need to get new members but have never really stated any concrete ways of recruiting them. Listed below are some ways to get new members into the club.

1: Ask a co-worker, friend or family member to come and work on a project that we are doing. This will show them a little bit about what we do and the kind of people that we are. This is a low pressure way of introducing people to what we do.

2: Invite them to a meeting so that they can meet with some of the people in our club and see a little more about who we are.

3: Have them go to our web site and look at what we do and what we have done in the past. In addition invite them to go to the International web site at LCI.ORG and find out a little more about the organization in general.

4: Forward our club bulletin to them. Thus will show them some of the activities that are planned in the upcoming weeks or months as well as more about what we do.

5: Ask them to join the club. If at first they say they don’t have time then let it ferment for awhile and let them see the fun you are having. Then in the future ask them again but don’t pressure them.
Senior Breakfast We will be holding our regular Senior Breakfast on January 9th, 2016. We will be cooking only for the Seniors to raise funds for their unfunded programs like we normally do. This program really helps the Seniors and is a great way to help them. The breakfast cost $4.00 per person for an egg, sausage hotcake breakfast.

Feed-In will be held on the 18th of January at the Armory. With the colder weather and more homeless in our community we need to plan for around 50 to 60 people that we will feed. Once I get a menu I will forward it out to all of our members.

Toiletries Collection: We will be collecting unopened hotel toiletries for donation to the needy. Whenever you do travelling please bring your unopened shampoos, soaps, conditioners etc to meetings. We will have an ongoing project to collect these items and when we get enough we will donate them to those in need.

NW Lions Leadership Institute is rapidly upcoming. It will be held on February 4-7, 2016 in Yakima. This Institute helps to develop skills that will be valuable both as a Lion as well as in your business life. Some of the topics covered will be: Writing your personnel mission statement, Speaking in Public, SMART Goals that work, Motivating people and many more. The cost is $375 but financial aid is available. For an application and more information go to www.nwlli.org. Applications are due by January 15th, 2016. If you have any questions contact the Superintendent Hal Palmer at superintendent@nwlli.org.

District 19-C Spring Convention will be held on April 1st and 2nd, 2016 at the Red Lion Inn in Olympia. More information will be forthcoming. This is an important event in the Lions year as it is were we elected the upcoming years Lions leadership.

Fife Ham Dinner will be held on January 31st 2016 at the Fife High School from noon to 5pm. Cost is $15.00 per adult and $7.50 for children. If anyone is interested in helping work this project contact Lion Bob Johnson at 253-353-3043.

Leadership 101 is a course that introduces people into Lions Leadership and has basic leadership skills taught. This course will be held on March 5th 2016 at St. Claires Hospital Classroom C on March 5th, 2016. The class will be from 10am until 4pm.

Healthscreen at Cascade Christian will be held on February 22nd, 2015 from 9am until we have completed all of the screening. We have provided this service for the last few years and it is a great project. Please mark your calendars and come down to help with this great project. We will need at least 4 to 6 members for this event.

Rose Sale will be our next major fund raiser. Now is the time to start thinking about it. We will sell the roses for $15 per dozen with delivery on April 27th, 2016. We will need a firm count of how many roses you need by April 1st for the order. We have a long lead time to start selling them now for Administrative Assistants Day, so start putting the word out.
**International Information**

**Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty**

More than one billion people live on a dollar a day and nearly 800 million people around the world go to bed hungry every night. This January, make a difference by joining Lions around the world for a special Lions Worldwide Week of Service dedicated to eliminating hunger and poverty.

Show your commitment to service, and help us reach our Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people, by planning a project impacting hunger and poverty in your community. From stocking your local food pantry, to serving meals at a soup kitchen, there are countless ways to make a difference.

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**Northwest Lions**

**Eyeglass Recycling Center Facts**

- In November the center received 7,748 pairs of glasses for a year to date total of 60,387 pair.
- In November they provided 1,712 pair of glasses for a mission to El Salvador. For the year they have sent out 10,327 pairs of eyeglasses out on 10 missions.
- The center currently has 13,450 pair of glasses ready to be utilized for missions.
- Since 2004 1,860,084 pairs of glasses have been donated to LERC, 204,320 pairs have been sent to missions that have totaled 249. In addition there have been 57,485 volunteer hours donated.

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**Your Town**

Puyallup has experienced four major earthquakes that have caused significant damage to the town. The two biggest were in 1949 and 1965. The 1949 quake was a 7.1 centered in Puget Sound and caused significant damage to many of the historic buildings in Puyallup. Eight people died and 65 were injured. With the way the Puyallup Valley is formed the soil liquefied and black geysers of clay filled basements and shot into the sky. The biggest impact was the roof of the auditorium at Puyallup High School collapsed and fell to the stage. The 1965 earthquake was smaller in magnitude, a 6.5, but the buildings previously damaged in the 1949 quake were further damaged.

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**Club History**

The Puyallup Lions Club has hosted many one day special event projects throughout their history. These events were one time fund raisers that we held in the community. One example was the concert that we hosted from a violin virtuoso named Rubinoff. He came to the Puyallup High School Auditorium and gave one performance.

Another example of a special event was the Redhead professional women's basketball team vs the radio personalities. This event was held once and pitted stars from KVI and KJR against a professional women's basketball team.
Pictures from the Past

Upper Left: Redhead Basketball project. Upper Right advertisement for an early club project the Light Bulb sale. Center Left: Lion John Budzak Sr as Santa Claus going to the Hospital rehab party. Lower right; The Santa Breakfast with future Lion Matt Budzak and his mother Tracie.
### Upcoming Programs

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### Programs Needed

I need your help. If you have an idea for a program that would interest you or your fellow Lions please give me some contact information so I can contact them and schedule a program. Anything goes for a program except for partisan politics. So if you have any ideas contact Lion JJ

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