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Sandy's Viewpoint

Thank you all who came out for District O Convention. It is my hope that you enjoyed the service projects, forums and speakers.

As I write today, the wind is howling and, yes, we have had many warm, sunny days. For those of us born in Oregon, we have come to know this time as our false spring. Flowers will be popping, the ground will be warming and the GREEN of spring is upon us.

March brings us Daylight Savings Time, The Ides of March, and St. Patrick's Day. We will celebrate all things GREEN. Earth Day is celebrated twice. The first is International Earth Day which is celebrated March 20th; the second one is the US version held April 22. It is said that on this day in 1970 the modern environmental movement was founded. Since Oregon is way ahead of the game, it probably started right here!

Now, you may ask, "What does all of this GREEN stuff" have to do with Lions. Good question. Spring brings many of us out of hibernation, just like the BEARS, we recently donated at our District O Convention. Many clubs will be starting their outdoor activities. My home club, Cedar Hills-Sunset, braved the wind and sun at a Super Bowl barbeque. They had fun, raised money for their service projects and met some former Lions of the Cedar Mill Lions Club. Imagine that, prospecting whenever and where ever they can.

The first Friday of March is also National Salesperson Day and Employee Appreciation Day. Again, how does this relate to Lions? In my chosen profession, it is said that nothing happens until a sale is made. How can we as Lions be better sales people? The Horizon Team has given us a great Elevator Speech. Lions Steve Thomson and Rod Bach will be happy to share it with you. Perhaps we do not consider ourselves as employees but appreciation does go a long way with members of our clubs. As we hold our open houses this spring I hope we all remember what Lions has meant to us and that we share our experiences with those who come to visit.

Back to the GREEN stuff, now is a good time to be planting those trees we have been talking about. We successfully planted 150 trees at our District O Convention and I know that many of you have taken part in some kind of planting activity. Let us know how it went. Internationally, we are well over 6.6 million trees. Council Chair Richard Smith's goal is to have each member in the Multiple District plant one tree. I know that we are working hard to achieve this goal.

Enjoy the spring and grow where you are planted.

The quote for the month: "One generation plants the trees, and another gets the shade."
Chinese Proverb



**WEAR'N OF
THE GREEN**

Transformation Begins One Step at a Time

with District 0

GOVERNOR SANDY

Holiday Inn, - Wilsonville, OR - February 17-18, 2012
CONVENTION BEGINS 6:00 PM FRIDAY EVENING

STUFF the 

Collect new underwear, socks, shoes, clothing, toiletries, and warm (gently worn ok) outerwear—all sizes, brands and colors are welcome – and help us make life a little easier for the children in our communities.



VISION

Bring your donations—individual or club—to the Convention February 17th and help us

STUFF THE BUS!

CHARITY



well-dressed bears



Foundation Checks



we serve

Come meet ID Yamandu & Lion Sylvia Acosta from Eufaula, Alabama.

Director Acosta is a retired college professor. 2nd year Director Acosta and his wife Lion Sylvia have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.



plant a tree



Meet the International Director YAMANDU P. ACOSTA

Yamandu P. Acosta, from Eufaula, Alabama, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 93rd International Convention, held in Sydney, Australia, June 28 to July 2, 2010.

Director Acosta is a retired college professor.

A member of the Eufaula, Alabama Lions Club, and a Lion since 1970, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, council chair, district convention chair, state convention chair, vice district governor, and district governor. He also served as chairperson of the Latin America Extension Team, a member of the School of Governors, Campaign SightFirst II Sector Coordinator for MD34, LCIF State Coordinator and has presented at the USA/Canada Forum and the FOLAC Forum.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the District 34C Tom Jones Award, World Humanitarian Award, 13 International President's Certificates of Appreciation, eight International President's Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the association's highest honor. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Acosta is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including serving as President of Eufaula Little Theater and as a member of the Eufaula Heritage Association, the Alabama Education Association and the National Education Association.

Director Acosta and his wife, Sylvia, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters and four grandchildren.



1st VDG Mary Lee Turner Candidate for District Governor

MaryLee's first encounter with Lionism occurred when she and her twin sister, along with their mother were invited to participate in the first Institute for Blind Preschoolers and families at the Oregon School for the Blind. The program was sponsored by Oregon Lionesses in 1950. A lion since 1993, Mary Lee is a proud member of the Portland Downtown Lions Club and served as club president and district zone chair.

It was especially meaningful for Mary Lee to serve on the 2009 Lions Mexico Vision and Health Clinic journey and to serve on the Lions Eye Bank of Oregon board last year. Mary Lee will be on this year's clinic to Mexico where she will again distribute white canes and instructions for those in need. As a cornea transplant recipient, she knows first hand the differences made by Lions. She is honored to be a Helen Keller recipient. As 1st Vice District Governor Mary Lee currently serves as trustee for the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation.

Recently retired, in addition to passionately serving as a Lion, Mary Lee is a current board member of the Oral Hull Foundation for the Blind, volunteers with hospice, is a regular blood donor, is active in church, and enjoys time with family and friends.

MaryLee Turner



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2nd VDG Sharon Rollins Candidate for 1st VDG

Sharon Rollins was born and raised in Southern California and graduated from Whittier College with a BA in biology and history. Further graduate work in education led to teaching at the middle school and upper elementary level and to school administration, interrupted by several years of stay-at-home motherhood. In 1999, Dale and I made a conscious decision to leave the Southern California environment for greener and cleaner Oregon, following our son who moved first, to attend Linfield College for a degree in communications. Our daughter stayed in California and spent her parents' retirement at Stanford, followed by veterinary medical school. The move to Tigard opened new doors to community involvement, including teaching natural science at Tualatin Hills Nature Park, restoring the banks of the creek behind our home, and joining the Tigard 2000 Lions Club as charter members. Leadership positions in the Tigard club, District 36-0 and MD 36 led me to leadership in the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. A Lions connection provided the opportunity to join an office of the Edward Jones investment firm as a part-time office administrator, which is blessedly flexible, allowing me to satisfy my Lions service craving! The little free time left is spent in our extensive veggie garden and preserving its products, visiting with our son in Albany, and traveling to the SFO area to play with our new granddaughter.

Tigard 2000 Lions Club	
Charter Member	January 1, 2000
Membership Chair	2000-2001
Secretary (continuing)	2003- present
Vice President	2001-2002
President	2002-2003

District 36-0	
Zone Chair	2003-2004
Region Chair	2004-2005
2 nd Vice District Governor	2011-2012

Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation	
Trustee	2004-2008
Board of Trustees Secretary	2005-2007
2 nd Vice Chair	2007-2008
1 st Vice Chair	2008-2009
Chair	2009-2010

Honors and Awards	
International President Certificate of Appreciation	2003-2004
International President Certificate of Appreciation	2004-2005-
International President Commendation	2008-2009
International President Extension Award	2004-2005
International President Leadership Award	2010-2011
Melvin Jones Progressive Fellow	

Sharon Rollins

Lion Brad King Endorsed for 2nd VDG Position

The Tualatin Lions Club is proud and excited to announce its nomination and endorsement of Lion Brad King for the office of 2nd Vice District Governor for Oregon District 36-O for Lions Year 2012-2013. Our club has discussed this with Brad and we are 100% behind his nomination. Brad has been an integral member of our club and a good friend since he was welcomed to our club over 10 years ago.

Brad was literally born into the Lions of Dist. 36-O. Brad has over 100 years of legacy in District 36-0 through his father (Beaverton), his aunt (West Linn Riverview) and his late uncle (West Linn), all Melvin Jones Fellows. Brad grew up doing community projects with the Beaverton Lions, caddying at Gearhart for Lions golf tournaments and tending the penalty box at the Lions Portland Royals hockey games. Virtually all of Brad's role models and mentors were Oregon Lions.

In Brad's adult life, he has almost continuously served in a leadership capacity, from college at Oregon State University, through his professional law enforcement career to his deep and intense involvement in the Lions Club, both here in Tualatin, at the District level and through the Multiple District. Brad has served as 2nd Vice President and 1st Vice President in our club and is in his second term as President. Brad has taken the lead in many of Tualatin's community projects, including MHSU appearances, pancake breakfasts, food drives and Easter Egg Hunts. Brad also frequently serves as our Public Relations and Media Lion.

Brad has organized and entertained the Lions of District 36-O since 2001 as the frequent Master of Ceremonies for District conventions. Brad has had the attention of all of District 36-O's Governors, Vice District Governors, our International Directors and visiting International Directors. Brad is currently serving as Zone 6 chair, engaging all of the clubs and doing an outstanding job. Through all of Brad's roles, he has fun and leads from the front.

Brad has finally listened to his Lions friends, leaders and mentors to take his leadership skills to the District. Brad shows an enthusiasm that we strongly believe will be as valuable to District 36-O as it has been to our Club and our Zone. We believe that Brad's perspective and energy will also be an asset to recruiting new, active members to Lionism.

Our Club will support Brad's nomination for the coming year and the future and will work on his campaign as much as we can. Please join us in supporting Lion Brad King for 2nd Vice District Governor of District 36-O.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Ed Casey
Club Secretary
Tualatin Lions Club

Brad King

Lion Trevor Lewis Endorsed for 2nd VDG Position

The Portland Parkrose Lions Club is proud to announce its endorsement of Lion Trevor Lewis for District O 2012-2013 2nd Vice District Governor.

Trevor currently is serving his second year as MD-36 O Zone 5 Chair. During 2010-2011 he was appointed as the MD-36 Chair for the Youth Exchange program. He has held all club offices except that of Secretary. Trevor has served the Parkrose Lions as club President four times. He is a graduate of the Lions Northwest Leadership Institute. Trevor has served on the District O Youth Exchange Committee since the late 1990's.

He is a Melvin Jones Fellow, has received the International President's Letter of Commendation, 100% Presidency, Club Treasurers Award and several Club Presidents Appreciation Awards. Trevor has over 18 ½ yrs of perfect attendance with Lions.

He majored at the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire in Business Administration/Management. He began his Quality Control career at Boeing. Boeing of Portland is a community minded company, for 28 years he was involved with the Good Neighbor Fund. Trevor was instrumental in having the OLSHF added as a recipient of the Boeing Good Neighbor Fund.

Working Service Projects comes naturally for Trevor, whether it is working the MHSU at the Jazz Festival, Parkrose Farmers Market, being an eye courier, or being an Earth Angles driver. Cooking the Famous Parkrose Chicken at Oral Hull, Rosse Barn Bash, Loaves and Fishes, Anderson Brothers, and the Parkrose Cruise In. Trevor has always been an active participant in the Parkrose Lions Operation Shoe Lift, fitting of shoes on needy children in the Parkrose School District. He has actively helped the Teachers in Parkrose School District with their Retirement Dinner.

Trevor has been involved in Lions most of his life. Beginning at age 10 he participated in Lions Service Projects with his father, Past District Governor Dr. L. Rhodes Lewis, a Melvin Jones Fellow. As a teenager, he would assist his father with the delivery of eye tissue, once he got his driver's license in Wisconsin. His brother Scott Lewis has been President of the Eau Claire Lions Club. Trevor's Nephew became a charter member of the Redmond Lions Club, and was the Charter Treasurer, with his Uncles encouragement.

Lion Trevor is a Lions Lion! 1nd is eminently qualified for the position as 2nd Vice District Governor. Please join the Portland Parkrose Lions Club and cast your vote for Lion Trevor Lewis.

President Michelle Binder
Portland Parkrose Lions Club

Trevor Lewis

Lion Les Tyo Nominated For OLSHF Trustee

January 8, 2012

Tom Hammond
Nominating Committee Chairman
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Les Tyo

Dear Mr. Hammond:

The Beaverton Lions club hereby nominates Lion Les Tyo for the position as Trustee for the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. Lion Les has been a member of the Beaverton Lions for 24 years. He has served as its President and has been our secretary for 12 years. He has received the Helen Keller award and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award.

Lion Les has 23 years of 100% attendance at our club and has attended the majority of the District and multiple District Conventions since he became a member. He also has attended many International Conventions and also several USA- Canada Forums. He is currently a Certified Guiding Lion and has also served on the Board of the Eye Bank.

Sincerely,

John Pedersen
President
Beaverton Lions Club

Lion Helen McNaughton Nominated For OLSHF Trustee

**Milwaukie Lions Club
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January 4, 2012

Re: District 36-O Trustee Position for the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation, 2012-2015

District Governor Sandy Woolverton

This letter is to submit the Milwaukie Lions Club Board endorsement for our member, Helen McNaughton, as our nominee for District 36-O Trustee of the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation for 2012 thru 2015.

Lion Helen McNaughton has been an exceptional member for many years. She is a Past President, and has served as our club Sight & Hearing Chairperson, and a past Secretary for the Club.

In place of signatures, we offer our names below:

President Russ Bennett , Vice President Julie Gibson, Secretary Tom Hammond, Past President PID Dennis Tichenor, Director Cindy Bennett, Tail Twister Val DeVogele, Treasurer Fred McNaughton, Jr.

Yours in Lionism,
Tom Hammond
Secretary

Helen McNaughton



HELP US STOP MEASLES NOW



LIONS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. MEASLES IS ONE OF THE MOST CONTAGIOUS—YET EASILY PREVENTED—DISEASES IN THE WORLD.

In October, the Foundation received its largest donation ever: US\$5 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. With this donation, the Gates Foundation will match every US\$2 that Lions raise with US\$1. Together, we have set a goal of providing US\$15 million this year to help fight measles. For US\$1, one child can be vaccinated; just think of how many children we can help! Will you join us in meeting our challenge goal?



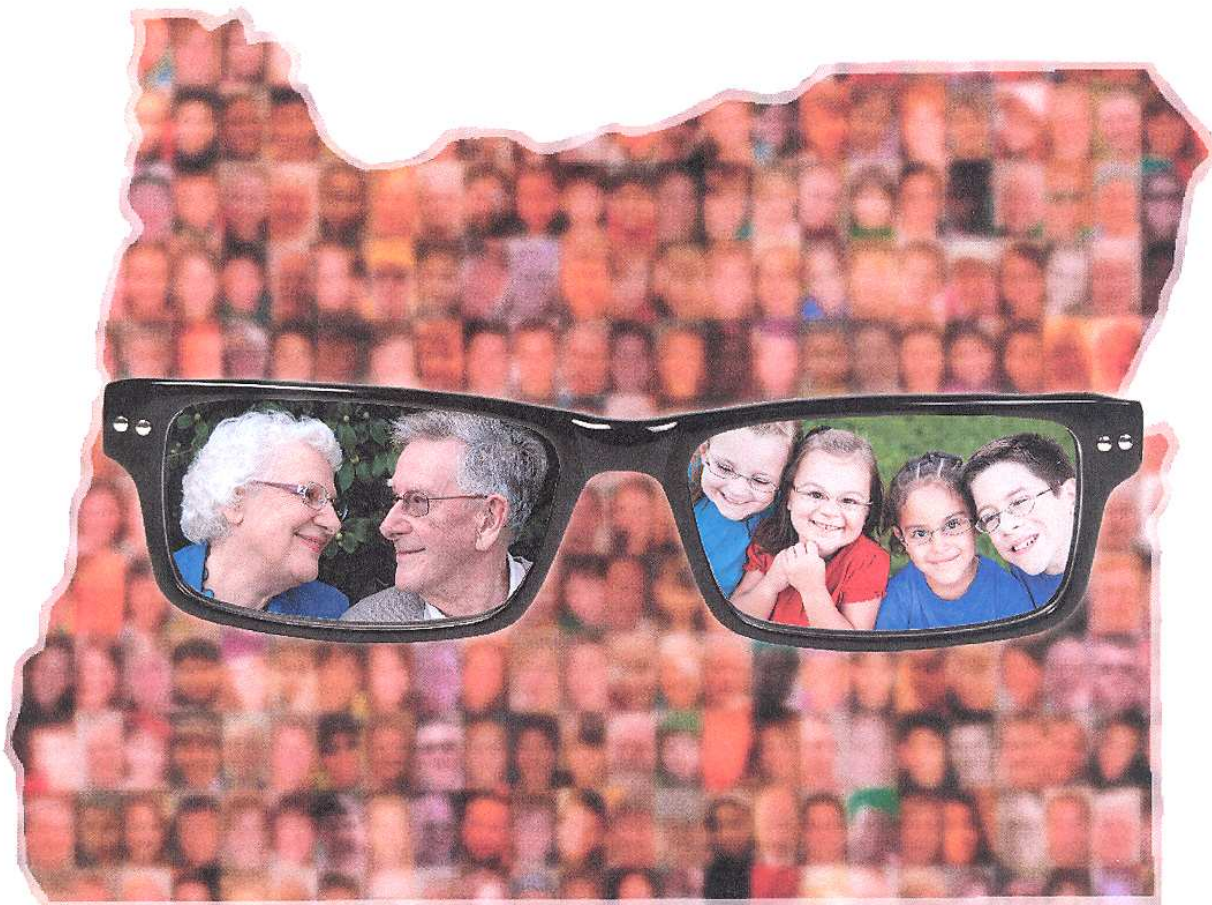
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FOUNDATION

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Pictures!!



DG Sandy and ID Gene Spiess



ID Sunny Pulley at FOLAC



Lion Les Tyo and PCC David Rich with Leslie Elliot Art Teacher at Whitford Middle School (District 36-O Peace Poster Contest Winner)



New OLSHF MHSP Vehicle