



March 4, 2010

Lion of the Month, February – Doug Harvey

Unsung Lion of the Month, February – Keath Huff

Longview Pioneer Lions Club – 196 strong
 In our 85th year 1923-2008
 Home Club of Past Int'l Dir. – The Late Arne Peterson
 Past Dist. Govs – The Late Frank Brown, The Late Stuart
 Wasser, The Late Tom Hinshaw, Sam Price, Jim Reinecke, Mike
 Parker, Hal Palmer, and Mark Koelsch

Pat Riffe, 2008 - 2009 Lion of the Year
 Ron Johnson, 2008 - 2009 Unsung Lion of the Year
 Jan Searing, 2008 - 2009 Rookie of the Year

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<p>CALENDAR:</p> <p>Mar 6 Spaghetti Feed, 4-9:00pm, St. Rose Parish Ctr. Mar 8 Membership and Attendance, Noon, Sizzler Mar 9 Regular Meeting, Noon, Expo Center Mar 10 Past Pres. Mtg, 6:30pm, JT's Steakhouse Mar 11 Board Meeting, 7:00am, Monticello Hotel Mar 12-13 District G Spring Conference, Red Lion Inn Mar 15 Membership and Attendance, Noon, Sizzler Mar 16 Regular Meeting, Noon, Expo Center Mar 18 Paper Recycling, 8:00am, Campus Towers Mar 22 Membership and Attendance, Noon, Sizzler Mar 23 Regular Meeting, Noon, Expo Center Mar 25 Board Meeting, 7:00am, Monticello Hotel</p>	<p>PROGRAMS:</p> <p>Program Chair for the Month of March is PP Pat Palmer</p> <p>March 9 – TBA March 16 – TBA March 23 – TBA March 30 - TBA</p>
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LEADERS – March 2nd, 2010 – Treasurer Lion Ken Botero gave the Blessing. Lion County Commissioner Axel Swanson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Song Leader, Lion Marilyn Patterson led us in a great rendition of America. Thanks, Lions.

GUESTS – March 2nd, 2010 – LT Ruth Morrill introduced Lion Laura Patton of the Central Park Lions and wife of DG Brien Patton, Lion Kathy Crawford from the Vader club, Lion Kirby Kee from the Earlybird club, Vice PDG Terry Sutfin, **Helen Sutfin** and Ron Staggs from the Ft. Vancouver club and Crawford Spens from the Monticello Club. Cheryl Ballard was introduced by Vicki Wellenbrock, our Treasurer Ken Botero introduced his wife, Marnie, 3rd VP Cindy Sessions introduced her husband, Jim, LT Tom Monahan introduced Ron Horn, Diane Bock and Tony Strovas, PZC Gary Hill presented Corbin Riedel, and Lion KariAnn Botero introduced her business associate Mick Boaglio. Lastly, Romy Lien was introduced as a guest for the last time by Lion Linda Boswell. She was later inducted as one of our newest Lions. Welcome to each and all!



THE GAVEL: Surprise, surprise! It was right where it belonged with President Daryl.

<p>MAKE-UP</p> <p>Board Meeting on 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7:00am, Monticello Hotel Attendance Committee, Mondays Noon, Sizzler Woodland Lions, 2nd Wednesday, 7:00pm Grange Hall Kalama Lions, 2nd & 4th Monday, 7:00pm Kalama Community Hall Kelso Lions, 1st & 3rd Monday, 6:30pm Kelso Elks</p>	<p>MEETINGS</p> <p>Kelso-Longview Early Bird, 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 6:45am Carriage Inn Longview Monticello Lions 2nd & 4th Monday, 6:30pm JT's Steak & Fish House Wahkiakum Lions, 1st & 3rd Monday, 7:00pm Puget Island Fire Hall Castle Rock Lions, 1st & 3rd Thursday 6:45pm Hatties Restaurant</p>
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The backward poet writes inverse.
(from PP Frank Wille's desk)



LION OF THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY – LT DOUG HARVEY is recognized for his efforts as one of our Lion Tamers extraordinaire. Doug doesn't miss any board meetings and in December and January he headed up the Christmas decorations for the downtown area. Doug is one of the Team Leaders for our Cabaret committee and generally is "there" if you need him. Dubbed "Hollywood" by PZC Greg Firth, the Awards committee thinks Doug deserves an Oscar for his many efforts as a Pioneer Lion. Thanks, Doug.

UNsung LION OF THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY – LION

KEATH HUFF is a good example of what the Awards Committee looks for in an Unsung Lion. Keath was our Program Chair for the month of February and had four great programs for us. Whenever, a guest speaker has a power point presentation, Keath is only too happy to utilize his expertise with various peripherals in regard to the lap top computers the presenters bring. And, we honor Keath for jumping in with both feet and working many of our projects and bringing his sons to help us, too. Thanks, Keath. We appreciate you.



ON THE HORIZON – UPCOMING EVENTS NOT ON THE CALENDAR – SPAGHETTI FEED, March 6th at the St. Rose Parish Center from 4:00pm to 9:00pm. **PAST PRESIDENTS' MEETING – March 10th at JT's Steakhouse.** **DISTRICT G SPRING CONFERENCE**, March 12th and 13th at the Red Lion in Kelso. The **MD 19 CONVENTION** is in Olympia, WA this May 13th – 16th. **THE 2ND ANNUAL LIONGVIEW PIONEER LIONS RACE/WALK FOR JUVENILE DIABETES**, April 18th at Riverside Park from 7:00am to 11:00am. **WHITE CANE DAYS**, May 7th and 8th. **MANNING THE MOBILE SCREENING UNIT**, June 5th.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Lion Walt Specht was doing well after shoulder surgery. PP Marie was limiting the honey do's to 50 lb hay bales rather than the typical 80 lbs she had Walt move around up on the Mountain. It was excellent to see Lion MaryEtta Turbitt back at club after her rehab from hip surgery. Looking good, MaryEtta!

RED BADGES FOR ROMY LIEN AND VANCE VAN DEN DRIESSCHE – Two approved members were inducted into the Club Tuesday. Red Button **Romy Lien** who was sponsored by Lion Sharon Sisson and represented Tuesday by Lion Linda



Boswell and Red Button **Vance van den Driessche** whose sponsor is Lion Jaimie Jackson. The new Lions were presented their packets and schooled on the four requirements to get their permanent Blue Badge. Lions, introduce yourselves to our new Lions or have their sponsor introduce you.



Welcome aboard, Romy and Vance!

LION LARRY ELLIS' memorial service will be March 20th at the Red Lion in Kelso. This is a celebration of life gathering which has been moved to a larger facility so that it can be attended by Lions and others in the community who wish to honor Larry's life. The club raised \$216 for the NWLFS&H. The sorority which Bonnie Woodruff and Lila Ellis belong to donated \$100 in memory of Larry to the LCIF fund for Haitian relief.

SPAGHETTI FEED –There was another meeting of this committee Monday, February 22nd at 6:00pm at the McDaniel's residence. Four Lions attended the meeting and three Lions went on a shopping spree for the purpose of making raffle baskets. Lions, if you want to help our bottom line, put together a basket of your own. It can be good advertising or just a gesture of good will and charity. The committee is also looking for bottles of wine to be donated for the dinner. The Feed will be taking place at the St. Rose Parish Center, Saturday March 6th beginning at 4:00pm. LOY Pat Riffe has given each of us tickets to sell for this event in order for it to be a success. There will be a raffle during the dinner with those tickets costing \$2.00. Get your dinner tickets sold and the money in to Pat ASAP. Time is getting short. Thanks, Lions.



DISTRIC GOVERNOR BRIAN PATTON PRESENTATIONS – IPP Don Harris was awarded his 100% President's Pin for his year as our fearless leader. Congratulations, Don, on your Lions International Club President Excellence award. Woohoo! DG Brien also honored Old monarch Lions Joe Johnson and Burt Gravelle. Both were given Lions for Life awards for their long time service to Lions and the service they provide to our community.

CABARET – There was an organizational meeting and dinner at Lion Priscilla Johnson's home last Saturday and the five team leaders have been selected. They include **Lions Theresa Floyd, George Ford, Cindy Goetz, Doug Harvey and Priscilla Johnson.** One of these five Lions will be calling

you to see if you want to get on the advertising and sponsorship sales teams. The Cabaret costs a lot to produce and most of it is paid for by selling sponsorships and listings or advertisements in the Cabaret program. It is necessary for the Pioneer Lion members to get behind this effort to make this project the great success it can be. If you know any person or business who you feel comfortable contacting to help support this project, please call one of the team leaders and get the help you need to contact that person. Thanks Lions.

DISTRICT G SPRING CONFERENCE is fast approaching. It will be this March 12 and 13th at the Red Lion in Kelso. PZC Greg Firth noted that all Red Button Lions can attend this conference and have your registration fee, fun night and meals paid for if you attend the panels. This conference serves as a Visitation and Lion Mark Koelsch is going to be presiding over one of the panels and his presentation is an Orientation. So, Red Buttons could get two of their requirements out of the way, meet a lot of new Lions and have a lot of fun all weekend. The Joker fund is specifically for this purpose so please take advantage of it.

LEADERSHIP 101 – PDG Hal Palmer and PZC Kathy Crawford reminded us that Friday, March 12th this seminar will be presented for those wishing to hone their leadership skills. As Kathy pointed out, the good news is that PDG Hal isn't the presenter this time. If you have designs on going through the chairs for the Pioneer Lions or if you just want to hone your personal and business people skills, this is right for you. It's free at the conference.

MD 19 CONVENTION is in Olympia, WA this May 13th – 16th. The conference and convention are close by and the Longview Pioneer Lions should have a good turnout at both get togethers.

He broke up with the telephone operator because she had too many hang ups and felt disconnected.

HAPPY BUCKS – TT Jan Searing got the bucks going early to leave plenty of time for all the meetings activities and it was a good thing he did. PZC George Moore had a good weekend at the beach. He got a few bivalves, too. Lion Duaine Smith was happy to be going on vacation. PP Marie Specht was happy that Walt's surgery went well. **Lion Walt** noted that he was happy to be back and was thankful for Marie's help. PDG Jim Reinecke related a PDG story. He was happy to buy coffee for his cohorts that morning. Lion County Commissioner Axel Swanson had a good weekend at the beach. He was happy about a Zags win later in the evening. Vader Lion Kathy Crawford said another Vader Lion would be at our Spaghetti Feed. Lion PDG Hal Palmer was happy that his wife Pat had a surgery scheduled in the near future.



Lion City Councilman Don Jensen was happy to be at club so that he could win the Joker pot today. PP Rick Little was happy about the soup off and remembered the former Sheriff Les Nelson who recently passed away. Lion Marilyn Patterson was happy to report that their son, Pat and his wife were going to be presenting them with their fifth grandchild later this summer. It's Pat's first. Ft. Vancouver Lion Helen Sutfin was happy to be supping with the Pioneer Lion family. Lion Jaimie Jackson was getting an RV ready for the summer season. She was happy to report that her son who was diagnosed with dyslexia had received above average grades at his school. Lion Rick Johnson was happy to be at the Expo for the first time and was looking for his 100% attendance pin. Lion Alex Nelson was happy to be at the Expo meeting. Lion Skip Mezger reported on his and son Darin's trip to Vancouver for an Olympic hockey game. Skip pointed out that the scalpers were having a good time with



business.

Ft. Vancouver Lion Ron Staggs had his Pioneer Lions shirt on. He honored the late Sheriff Les Nelson with some words of

praise for the man and his tenure as our sheriff. Secretary Mark Koelsch reported that he and VDG Terry Sutfin enjoyed their trip to see our Oregon Lion compatriots at District O. He was waiting with bated breath for DG Brien's speech. PP Pat Palmer was bear watching out in the Valley. He was happy with the full room and to be back up at the head table as Program Chair. 3rd VP Cindy Sessions was happy her husband Jim was in attendance. She tried to sell some Spaghetti Feed tickets and was sad that a family friend had passed away. 2nd VP Mike Firth had a good time clam digging with PDG Stacy Walters. TT Bill Pontious indicated that we were well clothed for Spirit Day. **President Daryl** was talking about trading places at the table with the Secretary. Hey, only an hour a week, Daryl. He is looking forward to the 8th Annual Spaghetti Feed dinner this Saturday. We are too, Chief!



PROGRAM – PKL Pat Palmer kicked off his slate of guest speakers for the month of March with the introduction of ZC Steve Patterson. Steve in turn introduced **MD 19G District Governor Brien Patton**.



After a welcoming standing ovation District Governor Brien gave his address to the Pioneer Lions. Born in Aberdeen and growing up in Cosmopolis, DG Brien has a life time affiliation with Lions. Both of his parents were involved with the Central Park Lions in Aberdeen. After the passing of his dad, DG Brien's mom, PZC Joanne asked him if he wanted to join the Lions Club and was his sponsor into the Central Park Lions. Over the years DG Brien has served in numerous officer positions in the Central Park Lions. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow. As MD 19G District Governor Brien's stated theme is "Balancing Family, Work and Service". He talked about the importance of balancing family with work and serving the community we live in. DG Brien then stated his four goals for this Lion's year. #1 chartering a new

club with 25 members; #2 increase Lion membership for the whole district by adding 24 new members. Currently MD19G is down 7 members; #3 keep drops below 120 and #4, identify potential new leaders. DG Brien also mentioned that the 2012 Lions International Convention will be in Seattle. Since the 2012 Lions International Convention is so close to home DG Brien encouraged the Pioneer Lions to take part. He also encouraged us to attend the upcoming Spring Conference that is being held in Kelso on March 12 and 13. DG Brien presented Lions for Life pins to Joe Johnson and Burt Gravelle for their long time membership and service in Lions and the President's Excellence award to IPP Don Harris. Thanks to DG Brien for visiting the Longview Pioneer Lions and for his many hours of service to Lionism this year as our District Governor. (Contributed by Lion Reporter LeeRoy Parcel)

The Book of Teflon contained no frictional characters.

CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR REX BOSWELL wants the following Lions to renew their health cards. If you do it soon, you can get one that lasts three years. They are Lions Dan Twiss, Bob Specht, Mamie Spromberg, Doug Irvine, Bob Bagaason, Marilyn Patterson, Steve Johnston, Shirley Wixon, Mary Simonson, Cindy Goetz, Janice Hillman, Laura Yoder, Cindy Sessions and Don Jensen. Rex asks you to please go to the health department and get your card renewed so we can have another stellar Chuckwagon fun(d)raising year. Thanks, Rex, for keeping us informed on this important Chuckwagon requirement. **Lion Rex** also noted that there was a work party at the Longview Police Dept's Safe Housing presentation at the Fairway Apts. The workers included Rex, Jan Searing, Bill Pontious, Steve Patterson and Greg Firth. They had a total of 9 hours in this hotdog and pop community service project. Thanks, Lions!

PAPER RECYCLING – We have it from a reliable source that the following Lions, on February 25th, did the paper recycling tasks at Campus Towers and other locations with their usual speedy efforts. They included Don Britt, Dave Dennis, Bob Specht, Dick Sorenson, Steve Patterson, Jan Searing, Steve Johnston, Bill Pontious, George Moore, Ron Johnson, Harold Malone, Doug Irvine, Jim Reinecke and Eileen Reinecke. Thanks, faithful Lions for your steadfast work in this green era of recycling.

SKIT – **Song Leader Marilyn Patterson** and **PP Phil Olson** announced another rehearsal before the dress rehearsal next week. They will be at his house. Call him for details if you're in the show.

LIONS SIGHT & HEARING COMMITTEE OF COWLITZ COUNTY is our new Zone wide group for handling requests for glasses and hearing aids. All requests for same are to be addressed to P.O. Box 265; Longview, WA 98632 where they will be handled expeditiously.

COUNCIL CHAIR CANDIDATE HAL PALMERS DISTRICT CONFERENCE VISITS –

Here are my planned conference visits for VCC Candidacy: 19C - Tacoma; Mar 6; leave @ 7:30am. return @ 5pm; 19G - Kelso; Mar 12-13; there all weekend; 19F - Kennewick; Mar 19-20; overnight; leave @ noon here; come back @ 1pm sat; 19H - Bellingham; Mar 26 --- cannot attend; -- if someone could attend on my behalf, it would be appreciated.; 19A & B - Apr 9, 10 Go to Bellingham and stay Vancouver BC then come back to 19B in the afternoon for their dinner in Renton and come home. 19I - Courtenay, BC; Going up 4/15 to teach 101; coming back evening of 4/17. 19E - Worley, ID - 4/16-17; cannot attend; --if someone could attend on my behalf, it would be appreciated.

VISITATIONS – PZC George Moore has set up the following visits to various clubs in our area:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Depart</u>
03/04/10	Castle Rock	6:45pm	Hatties	6:00pm Kelso P&R
03/08/10	Kalama	7:00pm	Community Bldg.	6:20pm Col. Ford
03/15/10	Wahkiakum	7:00pm	Puget Isl. Fire hall	6:00pm Safeway-30 th Ave.
03/22/10	Kalama	7:00pm	Community Bldg.	6:20pm Col. Ford
03/24/10	Woodland	7:00pm	Woodland Grange	6:15pm Col. Ford
04/14/10	Toledo	7:00pm	Lions Building	6:00pm Kelso P&R

THE JOKER – Lion Karen Stangle had the ticket and took a very thought full moment before selecting her card. She was one to the right of the Joker and selected the Jack of Hearts. Karen, sorry you missed it and we hope you get another chance in the next three weeks. The pot next week will be in the \$2,000 range. Could this get down to one card???? WOW!!!

HONEST POT – Lion Bonnie Woodruff had the winning ticket for the Honest Pot drawing. She donated her winnings to the Diabetes fund. Thanks, Bonnie for your \$10 gift to this excellent Lion's program.

SENILITY – Can you believe it? **Secretary Mark Koelsch** gave us all a clean bill of health. Considering the number of Lions in attendance, we should give ourselves a hearty slap on the back.

PIONEER LIONS ONLINE PHOTO GALLERY – You can go to our photo gallery website and view, download (save) and/or print out your favorite Lions pictures. It is updated weekly, so check back often! Here's the link: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/pioneerlions/>. If you have any questions, or pictures that you would like to have added to the photo gallery, please email them to Lion Josh Claypool at claypooljosh@hotmail.com.



More photos from a fun meeting.

