

# Puyallup Lions Club

*"The Puyallup Lions will serve the needs of the greater Puyallup area, providing charitable community service wherever possible."*

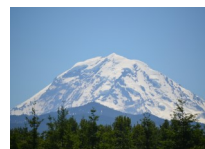


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**Puyallup Lions Club  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays**

**6:30 PM**

**Mrs Turners Restaurant  
Puyalluplions.com**

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## ***The Year So Far***

We are coming to another end of a Lions year. We have one more month left but we might as well run down some of the highlights of what we have accomplished this year. For a small club of 25 members we sure did a lot.

- We received a donation of 1000 pounds of flour and immediately brought it down to the food bank.
- We paid for six eye exams and arranged for thirteen pair of eyeglasses through our partnership with Lens Crafters
- In concert with the Francis House meals program we fed 456 meals, donated 6000 forks, 5000 cups and an additional 9 gallons of milk other than what we normally provide for our feeds.
- We collected 2230 pair of used eyeglasses for LERC.
- We raised just over \$16000 dollars in our fundraisers and spent almost \$15,000 in the community.
- We provided hearing and vision screening for Cascade Christian School screening 157 students.
- We held two diabetes screenings
- We worked with the Service Clubs of Puyallup holding a Halloween event at the Mall as well as providing labor for a breakfast at the Senior Center..
- Held our annual Easter Egg Hunt for about 75 kids
- Provided for a farewell picnic at Camp Leo cooking hamburgers, hot dogs and providing fresh fruit as well as potato salad.

We had a successful year of serving our community. ON top of this we had two members help outside groups as well. One worked with Habitat for Humanity and the other was a Team Captain For Alaska Airlines for the "Big Climb" benefiting Blood Cancers.

## Pictures of the Month



Upper Left: Lion Kent serving Breakfast with the Service Clubs of Puyallup. Upper Right: Lions Dave and Jerry relaxing while camping. Lower Left Lion John Sr enjoying lunch with his Son. Lower Right: Lions Kent and JJ at the monthly Service Clubs of Puyallup Meeting



## ***Project News***

We need to start looking at new projects to accomplish in the upcoming year. We have cancelled two of our long term fund raisers because they were no longer feasible. The Rose sale was cancelled this year because the supplier was unable to guarantee a stable source of flowers. The Charity rally was cancelled because there was no growth in the project over a ten year run. That and one of our major sponsors was recently sold so our profit margin was greatly reduced. As a result the major funding source for our Foundation and a funding source for our club are no longer available.

We are looking into one project but we have to wait for some outside entities before it is a viable project. Hopefully we will be able to start our trivia nights once the issues with the location are ironed out.

What we are looking for is fund raisers that can bring the club some income that are the one or two day events like our Chili project. That project takes coordination and pre sale of tickets but the actual event is just a one day event. The raffle prizes take some time to gather as well but we can do that throughout the year and save them up for the different events we hold.

Bring your ideas to the planning session on June 9th. If they are not fleshed out yet just bring a bare bones idea and we can maybe flesh them out in the coming months. I know there are great ideas out there,

Other things we are looking for are ways to do something for the environment as well as getting more involved with Francis House and the Food Bank, Any ideas in these areas are welcome as well.

## ***Membership Corner***

Membership needs to be embraced by every club member. We need everyone to be involved on bringing new members into the club as well as making everyone feel welcome in the club. If even half of our members brought in a member in the upcoming year that would be twelve new members joining our club.

What could we do with twelve more members? We would have new ideas for projects, we would have fewer shifts to work at the Christmas Tree Sale. There may be new leaders that we could develop so that we would not have to repeat so many times as Presidents, Treasurers or Secretaries. Also if those twelve members each brought in a member or even if only half of them brought in a new member by the end of the year we could almost double the size of our club.

As your membership chair I will be putting together packets of information for use by all. I am hoping to have the packets available by the end of July and they will include membership flyers, recruitment flyers, highlights of our service over the last 65 years as well as what we accomplished in the FY 2017-18 Lions year.

Next year it is my goal to really concentrate on growing our club to serve our community now and in the future. It will take all of us to make this happen

## Upcoming Club Events

**Meals Program:** Our next meal will be held at the Armory on June 18th , 6pm. The menu will be Ham, Macaroni and Cheese and all of the fixings

**Installation of Officers:** will be held on June 27th 6:30 pm at Mrs. Turners. PDG Marilyn Danby will be the installing officer and it will be a fun time as she installs Lion Neil as the President. It promises to be a fun night so lets have a large turnout of members.

**Planning Session:** Will be held on June 9th 2pm at Lion JJ's house 1527 Vista Drive on the South Hill. Bring a salad or chips. We will be discussing next years budget, any changes to the by-laws and any ideas to replace the projects we dropped this past year. Additionally we will be looking for volunteers to help on committees,

## Around the District

**C-3 Zone Picnic:** will be on June 9th beginning at noon at PDG Emerson Bishop's house. This will be a pot-luck and there is a nominal fee for the burgers. RSVP to PDG Emerson at [embishop@comcast.net](mailto:embishop@comcast.net).

**Flapjack Fundraiser:** for Mary Bridge on June 2 at the Gig Harbor Applebees from 8-10am. Cost is \$10 per person. RSVP to Sharon Kirry at 253-265-1466



## From the Archives, Pictures from the Past



## Member News

**Lion Rick Adamson** needs your thoughts and prayers as his Father is declining in health rapidly. Please keep him in your thoughts.

**Lions John and Tracie Budzak** welcome a new Son-In-Law to the family as their daughter Jessica was recently married. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Prieto.

**Lion Terri Soliz** daughter Breanna will be teaching next year at Chief Leschi . Congratulations Bre on your first teaching job.

Several Lions went camping together to Eastern Washington to see a Music Festival at Banks Lake, Lions **JJ, Kent, Jerry and Dave** all survived the event without a visit to the local ER.

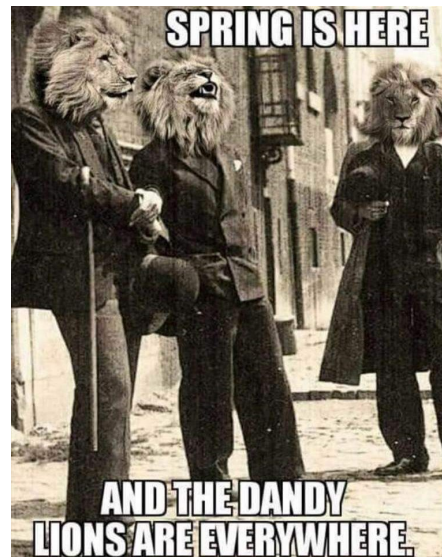
**Lion Neil** is really getting used to retired life. He is getting his house finished but now sleeps into at least 7 am most mornings and went to California to visit his son as well as camping in the mountains as well. The only problem is getting that smile off of his face.

**Lion Jerry** had a recent medical procedure and came through it well. So far so good and he only had to study for it two long days,

**Lion Terri** went on vacation to Bryce Canyon and Red Rock as well as Vegas with her friend. While waiting to leave she won \$1200.

**Lion Erica** went Halibut fishing recently, didn't catch any Halibut but did catch several Rock Fish as well as a shark or two. She had a great time fishing.

Longest member in the club **John Budzak Sr** 50.5 years. Longest Female Member **Andrea Black** 21.5 years. Members with more than 25 years of service: **John Budzak Sr** 50.5, **Merritt Smyth** 45 years, **Jud Carr** 42 years, **John Budzak Jr** 38 years and **Jerry Tecca** 32 years.



## Service Shorts

**The Puyallup Lions Club proudly served their community in April by doing the following:**

- Re-issued a check for a student who changed schools that received a scholarship from last year
- One member assisted the Service Clubs of Puyallup with the Senior Breakfast
- Fed 50 people in concert with the Francis House Meals program
- Purchased an eye exam for one member of the community and in concert with our partners at Lens Crafters provided two pairs of glasses.
- Collected used eyeglasses from our drop off sites sorting them to prepare for delivery to LERC.





### ***Puyallup Lions Trivia***

- 1960 The Puyallup Lions started construction on two baseball fields at Wildwood park .
- 1969 We re-roofed the Girl Scout Cabin in Wildwood park
- 1964 Installed a Merry-go-round at Pioneer Park
- 1971 Purchased and installed Log Toys at Wildwood Park
- 1967 Purchased and installed lights at the baseball field at the War Memorial park
- 1981 Built a Restroom Concession stand at Sparks Stadium
- 1984 Refurbished a house and built a wheelchair ramp for a girl to be able to go home
- 1993 Built a Fire Safety House and donated to the Puyallup Fire Department
- 1995 Purchased two Score Boards for the baseball fields at the Puyallup Rec Center

### ***International News and Notes***

#### **Entrance fees waived June 7-30!**

To close out our incredible Centennial Celebration in style, **we're waiving entrance fees for new members who join between June 7 and June 30!** For more than 100 years, we've delivered hope and change to the world. Now, as we prepare for an innovative second century of service, there has never been a more exciting time become a Lion, and we want to make it as easy as possible for new members to join us.

So how does it work?

**Invite** family and friends to join your club between June 7 and June 30.

**Report** your new member to Lions International by 11:59 p.m. CDT on Saturday, June 30.

**Save** money when your club billing automatically reflects this special promotion

**Earn** a Centennial Sponsor Pin for inviting a new member, and wear it with pride.

This is a limited offer that does not apply to new members added prior to June 7 or after June 30, 2018. No exceptions will be approved. Charter and transfer charter fees do not qualify for this special waiver. .

Invite your family and friends to join the greatest service organization in the world as we write the history of our second century together.

Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal

Your International President

### **Calendar of Events**

#### ***June 2018***

**June 9th Planning Session 2pm Lion JJ's House**

**June 13th Regular Meeting/ Board Meeting Program TBD**

**June 13th Mikel Pardue Birthday**

**June 18th Feed-In Armory 6pm**

**June 26th Andrea Black Birthday**

**June 27th Installation of Officers 6:30 pm  
Mrs. Turners PDG Marilyn Danby Installing Officer**

#### ***July 2018***

**July 3rd Kurt Evensen Birthday**

**July 4th Tracie Budzak Birthday**

**July 11th Regular Meeting/Board Meeting Program TBD**

**July 16th Feed-in Armory 6pm**

**July 23rd Brian O'Bannon Birthday**

**July 25th Regular Meeting Tawny Dotson  
Pierce College Strategic Development**



# Come Play in *Whistler*

MD19 2018 Annual Convention

October 24 - 28



Fun, Fellowship and  
Celebration



Mary Bridge  
**Children's**  
Hospital · Clinics · Foundation

Philanthropy is defined as the love of mankind. Mary Bridge Children's Hospital is defined by the love of children.

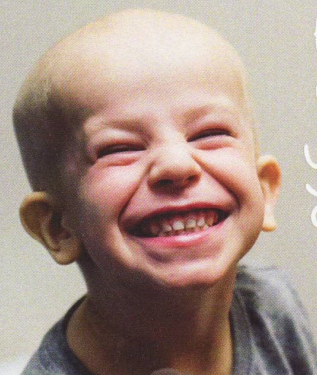
A family's world stops when a child is diagnosed with cancer.

Funding from donors makes it possible to offer special support to families of Mary Bridge patients.

You can help ease a family's burden of caring for a child with cancer.

*We're Fighting Pediatric  
Cancer Together!*

Join us as the Lions of 19C and Mary Bridge Children's Hospital work together to help families dealing with pediatric cancer.



*Ask how  
you and  
your club  
can help!*

## GIG HARBOR LIONS

### *Flapjack Fundraiser*

**June 2, 2018 • 8am-10am**

Applebees in Gig Harbor

4827 Point Fosdick Dr NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335



\$10 per person • Contact Sharon  
Kirry 253.265.1466  
Call to reserve!  
Limited tickets at the door.



Meal includes:  
Pancakes • Eggs • Bacon • Sausage  
Juice & Coffee

*Proceeds will benefit the  
Pediatric Cancer Fund  
for*

Mary Bridge  
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