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District Governor Virginia Edgelow Official Visit with PDG Grev Edgelow, Zone Chair Paul Whelan and Karen Whelan guests

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Calendar of Events September 2009

- 2-Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting
New Member Talk
- 5-Coupeville Schools Clean-up
- 9-Dinner/Meeting
Program: Super Lions Panel
- 13-Salmon BBQ & Town Concert
- 16-Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting
New Member Talk
- 23-Dinner/Meeting
-Program: Paul Mankin, Wildcat Ace
- 30- Board Meeting /Dinner/Meeting and Lion BINGO

District Gov Virginia Edgelow Visits

by Lion Deanna Rogers



Photo by Phay Program.

ZC Paul Whelan introduced DG Virginia as having been a Lion for 10 years and is currently a member of Lynden Lions Club. DG Virginia reported on the recent Lions International Convention in Minneapolis. One of her personal goals for the year is to retain membership in our clubs, welcoming members of all ages. She would like to see us at the Fall Forum in Spokane Oct 24, if possible and the Spring Conference in Bellingham Mar 26-28. She asked us to fill the belly of her traveling dog bank with coins/dollars for Leader Dogs

Coupeville Lions Club Salmon BBQ

by Lion Bill Roberts

Our annual Salmon BBQ will be held at noon in the Town Park with a Concert at 2:00pm. Because we have just two meetings prior to the BBQ, it would be truly helpful to managing ticket sales if Lion members who want tickets for themselves or are selling to friends/family to be prepared to make those purchases before or at the September 2 club meeting. That way we will know how many of the 200 tickets are remaining to be sold in that next week or at the BBQ. Again Rosie Cayou and Tsul-Ton of the Samish Nation will prepare fry bread and cook the salmon. If you cannot attend the meeting, please call me at 678-8746 (you can leave a message) or Irene Mueller at the Lions Club number, 678-4105. Ticket prices are \$12.00 each, as they were a year ago.



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Presidents Corner

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my!

Well done to the Lions who assisted at the Arts & Crafts Fair. The vendors really appreciated the assistance unloading their wares, and the three rest areas we set-up were in constant use. A couple of hours work by a half dozen Lions paid big dividends in making new friends for the club. And we all got a free Fair t-shirt! Well done Lion VP John Purcell for a well organized service event.

Some of us worked on the Boyer Barn for the experience, some for the education in preservation...and some, like me, for the fun of working with a "Pride" of Lions, helping a fellow Lion--Freeman Boyer. Once again: "Many hands make light work...more hands made lighter work...more hands make FUN while working...!" (quote from ViceDG Lion Judy Portas)

September promises to be another great month of SERVICE to the community. Starting with a new service opportunity: Preparing (weeding) a section of the school grounds for the first day of school. We have a section assigned to the Lions. Due to budget cuts and personnel on sick leave, the district is weeks behind in prepping the school grounds for first day. Lion Molly Hughes is organizing not only the Lions, but the entire community, for a half- day cleanup on Sept. 5th. Try to make it, FOR THE STUDENTS!

And, not last or least, the ANNUAL SALMON BBQ AND CONCERT on Sept. 13. More help is needed, please call Lion Bob Johnson at 678-6480 to volunteer. We are serving Native American alder BBQ'd salmon, fried bread, and all the fixings. All this and a FREE concert--what a deal! Tickets are only \$12, so pick some up at our next meeting, or at Town Hall, to sell to your family, friends and neighbors. Only 200 tickets will sell out fast.

And now Lions, tigers and bears...

Did you ever have one of those phrases that kept repeating itself in your mind? This one did...and I couldn't but wonder why. Then it came to me. Our club is full of Lions, and tigers, and bears...oh my!

Let's start with Bears. They hibernate most of the year. Their main concern is family and the job of living. But when challenged, they become Lions.

Then there are Tigers. They are solitary, taking care of their families. They wait in the shadows, until they see an opportunity. Then they spring forward and attack like Lions.

And Lions...they like large groups, they readily join together to protect and feed the entire pride, they are Lions 24/7.

Our club is so much like this. Some, like Lions, attend meetings, they readily SERVE our community any and every time the need arises. Being a Lion is their job. Some, like tigers, watch and wait until a call to SERVE opportunity presents itself. Some, like bears appear to sleep and wait, but when a real need arrives, they are a force to be reckoned with...they SERVE too.

How lucky we are to have Lions, Tigers, and Bears...OH MY. We all SERVE our community in the same way when the need arises...as LIONS!

Have a great month! Remember, we all joined the Lions to SERVE our community, and as always, there are some great opportunities this month.



President 2009-2010 Joe Walck

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Blood Drive on Thursday, August 13th...

By Ginny Munn

On behalf of patients in our community's hospitals, thanks were extended to Coupeville Lions, Lions wives, and Methodist friends for our August 13, 2009 Lions blood drive by Puget Sound Blood Center. We registered 80 donors, collected 69 units of blood and had 9 first time donors. This will benefit up to 207 patients in community hospitals throughout Western Washington. For your information, the following patients are just a few, of the many, who have received blood from Puget Sound Blood Center in the past few days. 13 year old patient (Kidney transplant) has been issued 12 units red blood cells, 4 units plasma, and 4 cryoprecipitate (transfusion) pools. 29 year old patient (Obstetric hemorrhage, hysterectomy) has been issued 16 units red blood cells, 2 units platelets, 8 units plasma & 4 cryoprecipitate pools. 20 year old patient (Motor vehicle accident) has been issued 16 units red blood cells, 2 units platelets, and 11 units plasma. Our next blood drive is on Thursday, November 5, 2009 so please mark your calendars. Thank you for all your help making our drive successful!

Eagle Scout Honored

by LP Joe Walck



Photo provided by J Walck

It was my honor and pleasure to present Coupeville's newest Eagle Scout, Nate Miller, a check for \$1,000 from the Coupeville Lions. The Troop tells me there will be another Eagle Scout next month...and another the month after! What a great group of young men our community has...and parents and Scout leaders. Nate is 16, and will continue to work with the Troop until he goes to college in a few years.



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BOD Approves Troop 4058 Use of Trailer

LP Joe was invited to attend a Troop 4058 advisory meeting to discuss the purchase a single axel U-haul type trailer to store and transport the troops gear in. The troop has the saved funds, and would only require our permission, because we are the CO (Chartering Organization). When first proposed to the Lions Club a couple of months ago, Joe requested the equipment committee contact other scout troops throughout the country who are 1.) also sponsored by Lions Clubs and 2.) have a trailer for equipment. He wanted to know the responsibility and liability for the Lions Club. Most of the troops stated that a member/leader of the troop held title and theft insurance on the trailer. That person was reimbursed for registration fees and insurance by the troop. If that person moved on, the title was transferred to another member of the troop. All troops said it was a great asset, and they would do it again. Our Troop Committee Chair, Lion Karen Ekberg, was initially hesitant about the trailer, but her issues were addressed by the equipment committee's research.

The BOD by e-mail voted: *"Coupeville Lions Club, as Chartering Organization, supports the purchase and use of a suitable equipment trailer by Boy Scout Troop 58 with provision that such trailer be registered and insured in the name of a member/leader of the troop and that no liability for its purchase or use be held by the Coupeville Lions Club. Registration and insurance costs shall be reimbursed to the member/leader holding the registration by Troop 58."*

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2nd Ebey's Preserve the Reserve Field School—The Boyer Barn

By Lion Mark Preiss, Ebey's Reserve Manager

I want to thank the Preservation Crew members that worked long and hard --and often under difficult work conditions badgered by Lion Joe Hillers and Lion Karen Fletcher -- while hanging from scaffolding, climbing ladders that never seemed to end, splitting shakes, restoring the barn doors, placing in the *dutchman*, figuring and installing the cable system to cinch up the building, and the pulley system to haul up shakes, pitching straw out of the barn and into the farm truck, nailing shakes, or delivering shakes or assembling shake kindling bundles, or clearing the site, or one of the many other chores as part of this impressive preservation project.



Nailing hand split cedar shakes on the 1860's Boyer Barn
Photo provided by Lion Joe Walck

I want to especially thank Lion Freeman Boyer for agreeing to let us all work on his barn, for his generosity in giving us access to this historic treasure and for his investment in its future.

And to Harrison Goodall for sharing his great love of old wooden buildings and his expertise in putting the integral Stabilization Plan together for us to follow. To our local paparazzo, Ralph Edwards -- thank you for your important documentation of the project, and to Jason Benson as the project foreman -- he's the right one for the job and for this crew!



Karen's Kindling Reserve

Photo by Lion K Fletcher

Because of the Coupeville Lions, and other dedicated community folks, the 1860's Boyer Barn has an impressive new shake roof on its west side. Stabilization cables are installed, the site is cleared, the barn is cleaned out and getting ready for its next good use.

As partners, we'll be coming back to the Boyer Barn next year to finish the roof, and a few other elements of the stabilization plan. Mark your calendars! The 3rd Ebey's Preserve the Reserve Field School begins July 20 and runs through August 12th, 2010.

I invite you to take a drive down Fort Casey Rd. and look east. You'll see the Boyer Barn more clearly now. If you listen close, you might hear it sigh, a sigh of appreciation. It stands a little taller, breathes bigger breaths. It is sustained through your efforts and that is a pretty cool deal in my book.

Thank you for getting your hands, heads and back into it. Ebey's Forever.

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Photo by Phay

DG Virginia, ZC Paul, LP Joe, and Secretary Deanna at August 19, 2009 meeting. Pres Joe presented DG Virginia our check for \$500 for the Leader Dogs Program.

LP Joe said "You get to even wear a tie for the District Governor... pick your craziest tie!... she'll get a kick out of it!" DG Virginia liked all the "Ebey's tees and ties", but liked Lion Noel's Hanson's "tie" best! Noel presented is unique necktie to DG Virginia.



Photo by -ed



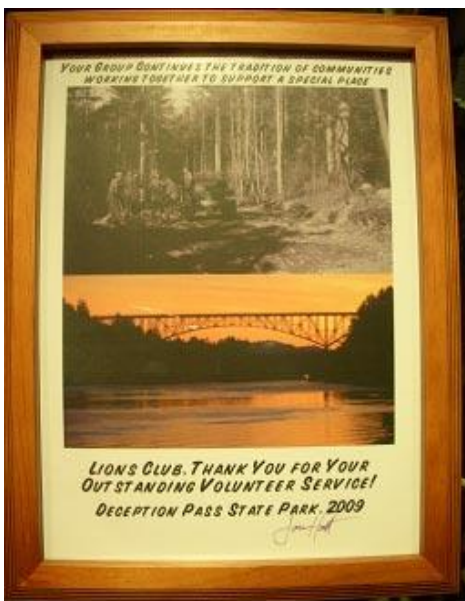
Lion Penny Twisting Tails, even DG's and PDG's

Photo by Phay



Pres Joe presented Years of Service Chevrons to Lions George, Von and Ed

Photo by Phay



A gift from Ranger Jason Hart, Deception Pass State Park recognizing all of the Lions Clubs on Whidbey for participating in the Park Clean Up Project on April 25, 2009. As the gift was to all the Lions that helped out, IPPres John Kohlmann presented it to PZC Ralph Nakamura at his South Whidbey Lions Club on Aug 13. Ralph was our Zone Chairman for the project, which he accepted for the for all who were there.

Photo provided by J Walck

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Lions Environmental Photo Contest

by LP Joe Walck

Every Lion can enter a photograph of his or her immediate surroundings into the club-level contest. The purpose of the photo contest is to showcase the beauty of nature. In 1972, Lions Clubs International made a commitment to protecting the environment. Lions can enter photographs of their environment in one of the following five categories:

1. Animal life (without people in the photograph)
2. Plant life (without people in the photograph)
3. Urban or natural landscape (without people in the photograph)
4. Weather phenomenon (without people in the photograph)
5. Lions Move to Grow Green – photos of Lions performing an environment project

Lion Al Sherman will chair our Club's 2nd Annual Photo contest this year. Winning club-level photographs will advance to the district, multiple district, and international competitions. We will hold our judging the first week in December. The impartial judging of photos should focus on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the theme.

Back to School Days!

by Lion IPP John Kohlmann

As Lion President Joe mentions in his President's Corner, our Club will be joining other community groups in easing the landscape maintenance work for our School District. We are adopting a "high visibility" section by the entrance to the new High School. Please put this service opportunity on your calendar for Sep 5 at 9a.m. Bring your work gloves, pruners, weeding tools and buckets. We will also be tackling a small area under attack by blackberries, but nothing as challenging as Deception Pass. Let's do it for the kids!

IPP John

2010 Scholarship Auction

by Lion Molly Hughes

School is starting and it's time to begin thinking about our 2010 Scholarship Auction! We have reserved the Crockett Barn for Saturday, February 27th. I would really like to have a co-chair this year, someone to learn the ropes and take over as chair the following year. Our Scholarship Auction is a lot of work but is also very fun and supports higher education for Coupeville youth, an important priority of our club. Please consider taking a leadership role, I guarantee you, you will have wonderful support from your fellow Lions! If you are interested or have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sight for Kids Screens 10 Millionth Child

In September, Sight for Kids, a program of Lions Clubs International Foundation and partner, Johnson & Johnson, will screen its 10 millionth child. The program, established in 2002, screens children for refractive error and other vision problems, including myopia, which causes significant vision loss in more than 15 percent of children under the age of 15 in many Asian countries.



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